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Investors cautious '82 better than '81, trade increase seen

NEW YORK, Jan. 9 (AP) — With a new year starting, banks, economists and assorted futurologists are burying out with their economic predictions for 1982. But many investors will be taking the predictions cautiously. In some cases, predictions by various organizations contradict each other; in others, the forecasters themselves urge caution.

As Morgan Guaranty Trust Co., one of America's largest banks, admitted drily at the end of 1981, "the ability of economists to divine the future has not been impressive in the past year."

Morgan, based in New York, says in its survey for 1982 that the U.S. dollar should drop two to three percent against other currencies this year, the Japanese yen should rise fairly briskly to around 195-205 yen per dollar, the German mark should appreciate moderately, and the British pound should hold steady.

Another big New York bank, Chase Manhattan, predicts that 1982 will be a much better year for the world economy than 1981. Real economic output in the industrialized world is likely to increase by about 2.5 percent this year — well above the one percent growth achieved last year, Chase Manhattan Bank estimates.

"World trade volume, flat last year, will grow by about two percent," according to Chase, the third largest U.S. commercial bank.

"Inflation rates will fall in virtually all industrialized countries, the bank adds. Meanwhile, 1981 was not the best of years for the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, and the outlook for OPEC is even less rosy in 1982, Chase remarks.

"Sluggish world demand for OPEC oil resulted in smaller price rises and an output reduction of 15 percent in 1981. The OPEC surplus on current account narrowed to an estimated \$65 billion in 1981 from \$100 billion in 1980. Continued weak demand for

Reagan OKs Haig's choice

By Nan B. Anthony
 Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 — President Reagan has approved the choices of Secretary of State Alexander Haig for the number two and number three positions at the State Department.

Walter J. Stoessel, Jr., currently the number three man will be moved up to replace William P. Clark, recently named National Security Adviser to Reagan. Lawrence S. Eagleburger will replace Stoessel as undersecretary of state for political affairs. Eagleburger is currently assistant secretary of state for European affairs.

Washington observers generally agree that these changes represent a show of confidence by the White House in Haig's personnel decisions. It is also thought that William Clark, who for the last year has served as Haig's deputy secretary of state, was probably instrumental in overcoming initial administration resistance to the appointment of Stoessel. There is a general inclination on the part of the present administration to bring in "outsiders" whenever feasible.

In other appointments, Reagan approved the naming of Powell A. Moore to be congressional liaison for the State Department. Stoessel, at 62, a State Department veteran, has filled various diplomatic posts since 1942. He is a former ambassador to Poland.

Eagleburger, 51, is an experienced public servant having served in a variety of government posts. He is a former ambassador to Yugoslavia. He comes to the job with excellent credentials and is known by his colleagues as a tireless worker. Some administration aides in the Reagan White House have faulted Eagleburger for his "liberal leanings."

Both Stoessel and Eagleburger have been involved in high-level discussions concerning administration actions toward the Polish government. Each man has what are thought to be good relations with Secretary of State Alexander Haig and William Clark.

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SEARCHING FOR FOOD: Hungry birds are seen searching for food in the snow in St. James Park, London Saturday as snow continued to fall. Several died in the worst blizzards in living memory that hit the country, leaving hundreds of motorists stranded, and railways badly hit and airports closed.

Three die in Britain Blizzards continue to lash western Europe

LONDON, Jan. 9 (AFP) — The blizzards and bitter cold lashing the British Isles continued Saturday causing three deaths so far and stranding five persons in a train in Wales.

Five duckhunters in the Irish Republic were also missing and feared dead.

Snow, ice and fog continued elsewhere in western Europe, disrupting navigation around Denmark and tying up traffic at Paris' Charles-de-Gaulle Airport. Rising rivers caused some flooding in the southwest and northwest of France, where 40 patients had to be evacuated from a hospital.

In Britain, temperatures sank to an 1895 record low of minus 25.6 degrees Centigrade (minus 14 Fahrenheit). Road and train traffic ground to a halt as police warned motorists to venture out only if necessary.

Snowdrifts blocked many rail lines while others were buried under a meter (3.2 feet) of snow. Violent winds prevented a helicopter rescue attempt from reaching the passengers caught on the train in Wales. But railroad officials said the heat continued functioning inside the car.

London's two main airports were slowed down. Only one runway remained open at Heathrow, causing major delays for incoming and outgoing flights.

Hundreds of motorists were blocked on highways near the Welsh border with England and in the Irish Republic. Some 13,000 residents in Wales were without electricity, but violent winds prevented technicians brought in by helicopter from restoring service.

U.S., Japan to boost defense cooperation

TOKYO, Jan. 9 (AFP) — Defense cooperation between Japan and the United States moved a step forward this week with an agreement to study joint defense measures in case of a Far East crisis, and notably on the Korean peninsula.

The agreement was reached here Friday at the 18th U.S.-Japan Security Consultative Committee meeting, the first of its kind since the setting of joint defense cooperation guidelines in November 1978. Prior meetings involved talks on joint strategy in case of an armed invasion of Japan.

But this was the first time that U.S. concern over possible attacks in other Asian areas, and notably in the Korean peninsula, had been discussed.

Under Friday's agreement, the two countries will set up working groups within a month to study joint defense scenarios in the Far East. In an emergency, Japan would supply logistical support — equipment, transport, repair facilities, communications — as well as access for U.S. troops to Japanese bases, ports and airports.

Soldier reveals 36-year-old murder

DONCASTER, Jan. 9 (AP) — When he was a boy of eight, William Phipps watched his father strangle a woman to death. His mother swore him to secrecy as she washed out his father's bloodstained clothes. Phipps kept the secret for nearly 36 years.

On Friday, the former British soldier, now 44, walked into the police station of this northern England city and described the unsolved murder of a young waitress in 1946. "Until my mother's death, I could not say anything," Phipps said in an interview in London's *Daily Telegraph* newspaper. His mother died in 1980.

Phipps, a retired security guard who served in the Royal Artillery for 23 years and now lives in nearby Epworth, told police he witnessed the murder of Lilian Miller, a 20-year-old war bride and mother of a one-year-old boy, in Canterbury, Kent, about 55 miles southeast of London.

Mrs. Miller was sexually assaulted and strangled to death while walking home from a dance. Phipps' father, Ernest, a railway porter who died in 1963, was interviewed by police at the time but escaped detection. Doncaster police said, "I was only eight, I was playing about in a wood yard. I heard someone coming and I hid in a secret campsome of us had made," Phipps was quoted in the newspaper as saying.

"I saw my father come through the entrance to the yard with a woman and I saw him kill her. I knew she was dead. I went home and did not tell anyone. My father was a drunken, violent man, and I was afraid of him. My mother knew what he had done because he came home with bloodstains on his clothes and she helped to clean them up.... She made me promise not to say anything to anyone, and I never did."

Police here contacted the Kent police department, which sent officers to Doncaster to take a statement from Phipps. Kent detective chief superintendent Alan Parker said, "Inquiries are continuing and until they are completed, we cannot be certain whether the file will be finally closed or if any other action will be taken."

Robber gets jail for 2691 years

JENNINGS, Louisiana, Jan. 9 (AFP) — A masked rapist and robber already sentenced to 2,528 years in jail now faces another 163 years.

The latest sentence for robbery and other crimes was handed down here Friday after Jon Barry Simonis, 30, had been taken to the state prison to begin serving 24 consecutive sentences by five other courts in Louisiana.

Since being arrested in Lake Charles last Nov. 28, Simonis has confessed to 81 rapes and robberies in 12 states, police said. In the U.S. judicial system, sentences are passed for each charge while parole requests are considered for each conviction unless judge has prohibited release on parole prior to a certain date, seldom more than 20 years.

Simonis, who now faces 26 centuries in prison, could qualify for parole before 2000. He has announced plans to write an autobiography to aid others in their trial defense.

Yemens approve merger statute

ADEN, Jan. 9 (AP) — North Yemen and South Yemen have agreed on a draft constitution to merge into a single state, a South Yemen spokesman said Saturday.

Abdullah Ahmad Ghanem said in a statement the draft constitution provides that Islam will be the official religion and the North Yemeni capital of Sanaa the seat of government of the United Yemeni Republic. For nearly ten years, the governments of the two Yemens have been conducting unity talks interspersed with military skirmishes along their mountainous border.

Ghanem is the secretary of South Yemen's presidium of the Supreme People's Council (parliament) who led his country's delegation in recent talks with North Yemen on the draft constitution. The draft has been submitted to legislative and executive bodies in both countries for ratification before formally announcing the text for a public debate. A date will then be set for a referendum in both countries to finalize the constitution of the union, Ghanem added.

He said the legislative powers in the unified state will be held, by an elected parliament and the judicial system will be headed by an elected attorney-general. Executive powers will be exercised by a council of ministers, Ghanem said, without spelling out how the cabinet will be formed.

South Yemen in 1980 has signed a 20-year treaty of friendship and cooperation with the Soviet Union. Aden, a vital port of call for the Soviet Navy in the Indian Ocean, is the capital of South Yemen, which has a population of two million and an area of 178,978 square miles. Its 24,300-man armed forces are equipped exclusively by the Soviet Union.

North Yemen has a population of 5.3 million and an area of 75,000 square miles. Its 32,100-man armed forces are Soviet and American-equipped.

Both Yemens were classified by a recent United Nations survey among the 31 poorest nations of the world. But they are strategically located on the southern entrance to the Red Sea, leading to the Suez Canal and the Western world.

Ghanem said the draft constitution encourages "the public sector and public ownership" to promote an economy based on scientific planning. But he failed to explain whether the unified state will have a socialist or a capitalist-oriented economy. Ghanem said the draft constitution provides for a period of transition prior to the creation of the unified state which will have one national flag and one anthem.

Serious unity talks began after 1968 when South Yemen became independent from Britain. But the negotiations had never reached a stage where actual unification was possible. This is the first time that the two Yemens have got to the stage of agreeing on a draft constitution for a merger.

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Saudi-Sino body forms five special committees

RIYADH, Jan. 9 (SPA) — The Joint Saudi-Sino Economic and Technical Cooperation Commission began official talks here Saturday by forming five committees to pursue discussions in their respective specializations. Finance and National Economy Minister Sheikh Muhammad Aba Al-Khail and Chinese Economics Minister William Chao co-chaired the opening session.

Aba Al-Khail welcomed the Chinese delegation at the beginning of the meeting and commended the achievements of the joint commission. "During the seven years of its existence, the commission has contributed to the excellent relations between the two countries and developed new vistas of friendship," he said.

He said the Kingdom's imports from Taiwan increased 11-fold during the past six years from SR189 million in 1975 to SR2,238 billion in 1980. Saudi Arabia's exports to the Republic of China also rose six-fold during the same period from SR902 million to SR5.96 billion, the minister said.

The work of the Chinese companies here demonstrates the level of cooperation between the two countries, Aba Al-Khail said. At present the Saudi-Chinese investments amount to SR1,249 million. The number of contracts awarded by the government to Chinese companies has risen from eight in 1977 to 28 by the first half of 1981. Their value rose from SR564 million to SR2.81 billion, he said.

The minister pointed out that cooperation between the two countries has not been restricted to the commercial, joint investment ventures and construction and industry only. "It has taken several channels which all come into the context of the Saudi-Chinese relations," he said.

The committees, which went into discussions after the conclusion of the opening session, cover science and technology, communications and transport, posts and telecommunications, trade and industry and agriculture. They will resume meetings Sunday and conclude deliberations Monday.

In his statement, Chao thanked the Kingdom for the oil supplies and financial assistance it provides to his country. He expressed admiration for the tremendous progress achieved by Saudi Arabia in the past decade.

The Chinese minister said that the changes which occurred in the international economic situation provided new opportunities to the two countries. "While the Saudi Arabian economy showed its vitality, the Republic of China also has become the 20th largest trading country and the 16th exporting nation in the world last year," Chao said.

He expressed optimism on the future of cooperation between the two countries and said that it will "remarkably" contribute to the Kingdom's modernization and industrialization efforts.

Chinese minister and his delegation



Sheikh Muhammad Aba Al-Khail arrived here earlier during the day from Jeddah. The group was received by Aba Al-Khail, Dr. Rida Obeid, head of the national science and technology center, and other officials of the ministry.

Chao told reporters in Jeddah that his visit to the Kingdom was specially important and that his talks with Saudi Arabian officials will dwell on various issues aimed at greater cooperation. He described the relations between the two countries as "developing constantly."

The Kingdom's delegation at the sixth session includes, in addition to Aba Al-Khail and Obeid, Muhammad Al-Sughair, economic affairs undersecretary; Dr. Nasser Al-Salloum, deputy communications minister; Tawfiq Ibrahim Tawfiq, commerce ministry supplies undersecretary; Samir Banaja, posts director general; Rumailh Mansour Al-Rumailh, meteorology and environment department director general; and representatives of the ministries of posts, telegraph and telephones; planning, industry and electricity; foreign affairs and agriculture and water.

Kayyal awards postal contracts

RIYADH, Jan. 9 (SPA) — Posts, Telegraph and Telephones Minister Dr. Alawi Darwish Kayyal signed Saturday two contracts with a total value of SR26.9 million for several postal projects. They were awarded to two national companies.

The first contract, worth SR12.95 million, provides for the construction of a 20,000-box hall for subscribers' postal boxes in Jeddah. The second contract calls for establishing post offices in Abif, Tabuk, Aba Ali, Mahd, Ula, Taima, Dhahran Al-Janoob and Najran. These projects will cost SR13.9 million.

National Guard marks literacy day

RIYADH, Jan. 9 (SPA) — The National Guard's cultural and educational department organized a ceremony Saturday on the occasion of the Arab literacy eradication day which was marked Friday. Prince Badr, deputy commander of the national guard,

and other undersecretaries attended the function.

The department's Director General Sulaiman Al-Zuhair, commended the efforts made by the state to education especially among adults.

GCC defense meeting delayed

KUWAIT, Jan. 9 (AP) — Kuwait Defense Minister Sheikh Salem Al-Sabah said Saturday that the Gulf Cooperation Council's defense ministers will meet in Riyadh, Jan. 26 instead of Jan. 18.

The minister said Kuwait will submit a blueprint to the meeting dealing with defense

coordination between the member states.

He was quoted earlier as saying that the plan deals with the collective defense of the Gulf region. The members of the Gulf Cooperation Council are Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, the United Emirates, Bahrain, Qatar and Oman.

Islamic banking seminar organized

RIYADH, Jan. 9 (SPA) — Imam Muhammad Ibn Saud Islamic University's cultural committee will organize a seminar Tuesday on "the Islamic alternative to the interest-based banks."

The lecture will group leading Muslim economists including Prince Muhammad

Gulf labor ministers begin parleys

RIYADH, Jan. 9 (SPA) — Governor of Riyadh Prince Salman opened the fourth session of the Council of Ministers of Labor and Social Affairs of the Gulf, here Saturday.

Prince Salman said that the convening of the conference in the Kingdom confirms the existence of strong ties among the Arab states of the Gulf. He said that the present meeting adds a new ring in the chain of discussions, consultations and coordination on social and labor affairs.

The governor stressed the need for coordinated work which, he said, would realize unity, strengthen common bonds, and then it would be possible for us to face every problem together. "The basis and source of our renaissance and civilization is our adherence to our deep-rooted Islamic values," he emphasized.

Prince Salman was followed by Sheikh Ibrahim Al-Anqari, labor and social affairs minister, who said that the meeting symbolizes the spirit of cooperation and solidarity for the sake of welfare and prosperity. He lauded the efforts of labor and social affairs experts who made preparations for this session. The minister emphasized the role of coordination in the realization of cherished objectives, and said he was hopeful that the present deliberations would be crowned with success, producing positive and constructive results in the interest of the Arab and Islamic nations.

Sheikh Al-Jarwan, labor and social affairs minister of the United Arab Emirates said that the establishment of the Gulf Cooperation Council was a big development that has taken place between the third and fourth sessions. He said the GCC has reaffirmed the unity of objective and a common destiny of the Arab states of the Gulf. The GCC provides a capable leadership "to consolidate cooperation and coordination among the member states," he added.

The three-day session is being attended by delegations at the ministerial level from the UAE, Bahrain, Iraq, Oman, Qatar, Kuwait and Saudi Arabia. Delegates from the Arab Labor Organization, the Follow-Up Committee and the Arab League are also attending.

The delegation will discuss social and labor services, the role of social development centers in the local societies, the report of the secretary general on the implementation of the recommendations and resolutions of pre-

vious sessions and a number of other administrative and financial matters.

The practical session began after a brief rest, in which Anqari was elected chairman of the fourth session, with Bakr Mahmoud Rasool, labor and social affairs minister of Iraq as vice-chairman and Jamil Jawad Al-Jashi, director of social affairs at the Bahraini Ministry of Social Affairs as moderator.

After that, Sheikh Khalifa Bin Muhammad Al-Khalifa, Bahraini minister of labor and social affairs, addressed the session, highlighting the importance of the current session in view of the recent subversive plot which was discovered in Bahrain. He emphasized the need for common work in order to prevent the recurrence of subversive attempts, and said his country's delegation would strive to link the topics of the agenda to the responsibilities of the ministries of labor and social affairs, so they could confront all those subversive plots which aim to harm the peoples of the Gulf.

Ali Ahmad Al-Ansari, Qatari minister of labor and social affairs, said that joint work within the framework of the council has achieved a considerable success in regard to cooperation and coordination in different fields of labor and social affairs. The previous studies and research works have reflected on the council's activities and its attempts to develop the organizations working in the fields of labor and social affairs. He emphasized the need for determining the objectives, keeping a clear vision and maintaining a balance between the administrative machinery and its missions and activities.

Kuwaiti Labor and Social Affairs Minister Hamad Issa Al-Rujaih said that the agenda

lays great stress on the role of social development centers and the social and labor services in the participating states. He added that uniform methods for the expatriate labor movement in the Gulf states has become pressing matter. The council's activities during the past five years make it clear that the basic principles and objectives of labor and social policies still call for a continuous work and a unified stance.

Meanwhile, the Kingdom's labor and social affairs minister said Friday that Saudi Arabia will submit to the conference a draft resolution to make it imperative to extend the necessary services to private sector workers. He added that the new measure would raise the workers' standards of living and productive capacity.

Kingdom attends Arab health talks

KUWAIT, Jan. 9 (SPA) — Meetings of the Arab Health Ministerial Council's executive bureau opened here Saturday. The Kingdom is one of the bureau's members which also include Kuwait, Iraq, Bahrain, Tunisia and Algeria.

The two-day session will prepare the agenda of the ministerial council's forthcoming session scheduled for March in Sanaa, North Yemen. The bureau also will discuss medical support to the Palestine Liberation Organization and south Lebanon, in addition to assisting the Arab Medical Specializations Council and improving its standards. Talks will cover cooperation with the UNICEF and health committee of the European health ministers' council.

Prayer Times

Sunday	Makkah	Madinah	Riyadh	Dammam	Buraidah	Tabuk
Fajr (Dawn)	5:36	5:42	5:14	5:04	5:29	6:02
Dhuhr (Noon)	12:28	12:29	12:00	11:47	12:12	12:41
Asr (Afternoon)	3:35	3:31	3:02	3:46	3:00	3:36
Maghreb (Sunset)	5:57	5:52	5:23	5:06	5:31	5:56
Isha (Night)	7:27	7:22	6:53	6:36	7:01	7:26

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Syria firm on facing Golan move--Assad

DAMASCUS, Jan. 9 (AP) — Syrian President Hafez Assad on Saturday described Israel's annexation of Syria's occupied Golan Heights as part of a "general imperialist-Zionist offensive" against the Arabs in the Middle East, an official announcement here said.

Assad also asserted Syria's "unwavering determination to confront the plot ... and struggle to achieve our national aspiration."

The announcement said the Syrian president made the brief statement to a visiting delegation from the Arab Workers' Federation.

"The difficulties we encounter will not weaken our determination to confront our enemies," he went on. "The major factor in the battle is the human element and we believe that the future is ours because we are a just cause."

Rajavi claims

Striking workers arrested in Iran

BEIRUT, Jan. 9 (AP) — The leader of Iran's main opposition group claimed Saturday more than 2,000 striking Iranian workers were arrested recently and seven of them shot to death. Three doctors were also executed recently in Iran, according to the statement issued by Massoud Rajavi, head of the underground Mujahideen Khalq guerrillas, from his Paris office.

"Following a strike at the car manufacturing factory of Iran National (in Tehran) more than 2,000 of the workers have been arrested and seven workers killed with the bullets of Khomeini's revolutionary guards and scores of others injured," Rajavi claimed.

His statement, which was read to the Associated Press office in Beirut by a spokesman in Paris, did not say when the

strike occurred, but it said the arrested workers were still being detained.

Sources in Tehran have said that workers at the Iran National plant began a short-lived strike which was ended by the government of Ayatollah Khomeini a couple months ago. The sources, who wished not to be named, did not mention any arrests.

A revolutionary guard spokesman, who did not want to be identified, said he had not heard of such a large number of arrests when he was contacted in Tehran by telephone from the AP Beirut office.

BRIEFS

AMMAN, (AP) — Italian Foreign Minister Emilio Colombo wound up talks with Jordan's King Hussein, Prime Minister Mudar Badran and Foreign Minister Marwan Qassem on Saturday, an official statement said.

ALGIERS, (AFP) — Saharan nationalist fighters launched a "violent attack" on Moroccan positions in the Western Sahara during a six-hour battle Friday, the Algiers-based Polisario Front said in a communique here Saturday.

KHARTOUM, (R) — Senator Charles Percy, chairman of the U.S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said Saturday he had asked the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to extend development loans to Sudan.

ADF units enforce ceasefire Street clashes stop in Beirut

BEIRUT, Jan. 9 (AP) — The guns fell silent in Beirut Saturday following four days of street clashes between rival Lebanese militiamen from the Shiite Amal movement and Communist and pro-Iraqi factions that claimed 15 lives and injured 55, a police spokesman reported.

The spokesman, who declined to be identified in compliance with government regulations, said armored units from an all-Syrian Arab Deterrent Force (ADF) enforced a ceasefire in seven major residential neighborhoods in west Beirut as of midnight.

The Syrians, who police Lebanon's five-year-old civil war armistice, disengaged the combatants, set up buffer zones and patrolled each of the seven densely populated neighborhoods around the clock, the spokesman added.

The fighting pitted Amal's militiamen against militia forces of pro-Iraqi Lebanese Socialist Baath Party and the Organization of Communist Action in Lebanon (OCAL).

The three groups have long been involved in a struggle for dominance in Shiite-populated areas.

The Baath Party and OCAL are members of the National Movement, a 13-group coalition of leftist factions that fought alongside Palestinian commandos against the country's rightist parties in the 1975-76 war.

The National Movement recently set up a police force of its own called the "security committee," to try to establish law and order in west Beirut. The presence of OCAL and Baathist militiamen in the security committee force prompted Amal to reject the presence of this force in any of Amal-controlled neighborhoods, according to an Amal statement. The statement said Amal would accept only the forces of legitimacy — government security forces and the ADF.

Beirut newspapers said the Syrian government plans to invite Amal and National Movement leaders to Damascus shortly to try to mediate a settlement of their dispute.

Shah family complains about cost of palace

CAIRO, Jan. 9 (AFP) — The family of the late deposed Shah of Iran wants to leave its current home, the Koubbeh Palace in Cairo, because it is too expensive, the weekly magazine *October* reported Saturday. The family wishes to move out of town and buy a small villa in the suburbs of Cairo at Heliopolis or Meadi, the weekly said.

"It is wrong to say that President Hosni Mubarak has asked them to leave the

country, as several international magazines have said," *October* added. It quoted Empress Farah as telling Egyptian officials that the desire to move was motivated by "the high cost of living at the palace."

The family travels often to France, Switzerland, the United States and Morocco but maintains its residence in Egypt.

81 detainees freed in Egypt

CAIRO, Jan. 9 (AP) — The Socialist prosecutor general Saturday ordered the release of 81 more religious fundamentalists, journalists, academics and politicians arrested last September in President Anwar Sadat's crackdown on religious extremists, the official Middle East News Agency reported.

They were among 1,536 people detained by Sadat as part of wide-ranging measures to cope with sectarian frictions that erupted in

bloody clashes in Cairo's Zawiya al-Hamra slum last summer.

President Hosni Mubarak, who took over after Sadat's assassination by alleged religious fanatics last October, has released 87 detainees after they were cleared of all charges, making a total of 168.

With Saturday's release there are 1,368 people still in detention.

Egypt chief of staff visits U.S.

CAIRO, Jan. 9 (R) — Egyptian Chief of Staff Abd Rabei Nahi Hafez left for the United States Saturday for talks with American officials on Egyptian arms purchases. The official Middle East News Agency (MENA) said the Egyptian delegation, during a one-week visit, would discuss requests for arms from the U.S.

The delegation would also attend a ceremony at an American air base on Jan. 15 for

the delivery of an F-16 fighter, the first of 40 such jets ordered by Egypt and expected to be delivered over the next 24 months, MENA added.

Last week Egypt agreed to buy 20 French Mirage 2000 combat jets in a one billion dollar deal with France. The order made France the second largest supplier of arms to Egypt after the United States.

Mubarak's Europe trip set for Feb. 1

CAIRO, Jan. 9 (Agencies) Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak will leave here Feb. 1 on a trip to France, the United States, Britain and West Germany, it was announced here Saturday.

He is scheduled to meet with French President Francois Mitterrand Feb. 1 and with U.S. President Ronald Reagan Feb. 3. While in Washington, President Mubarak is also scheduled to meet with U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig and several members of Congress.

Mubarak will meet with British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher Feb. 6. He will hold a working meeting with West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt on Feb. 8.

The Egyptian newspaper *Al-Ahram* said Mubarak's discussions with President Reagan would center on U.S. military deliveries to Egypt and on economic relations between the two countries. It added that discussions here next week between Egyptian Foreign Minister Kamal Hassan Ali and Haig would center on the same issues.

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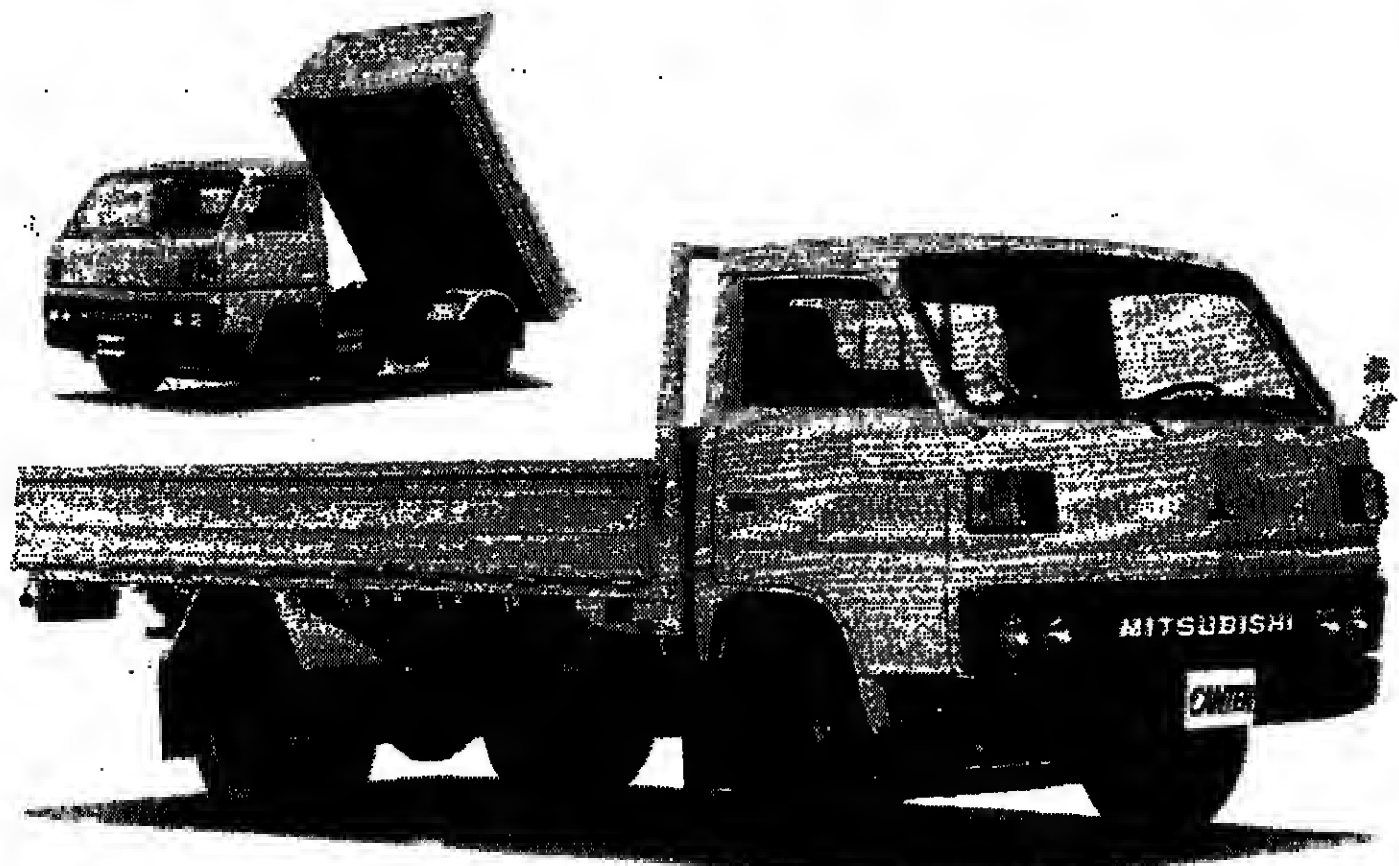
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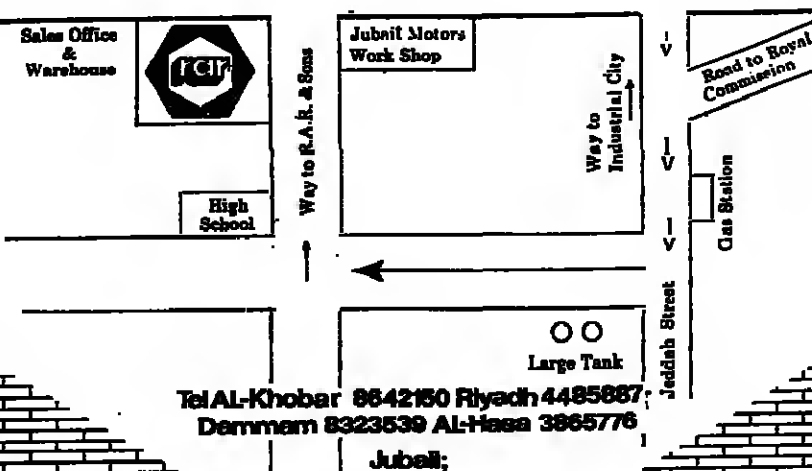
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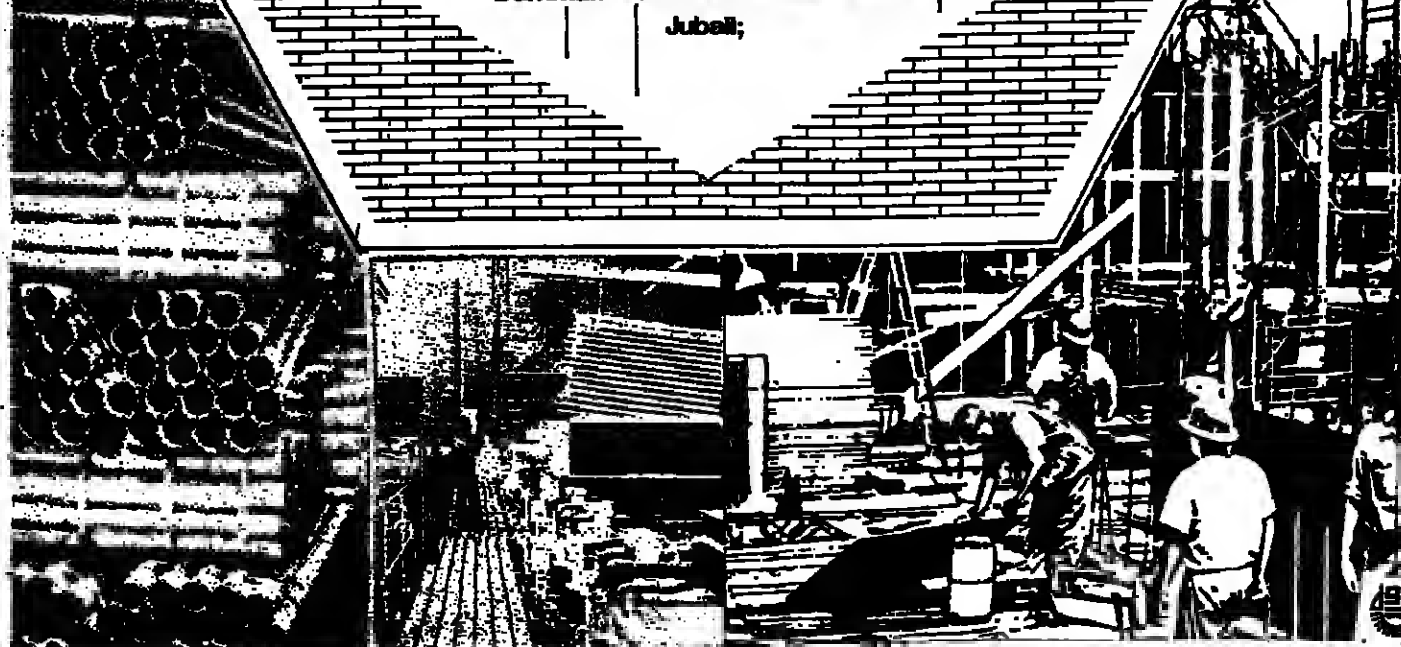
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Hit by inflation

Americans worried over defense costs

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 (AFP) — A United States gripped by economic recession may find it hard to swallow the huge \$230,000 million-plus military budget which President Ronald Reagan wants Congress to adopt in fiscal 1983, according to informed opinion here.

Middle America seems less and less convinced that priority should be given to the kind of U.S. arms buildup which Reagan made a battle cry in his 1980 election campaign, at the same time as social welfare programs are being cut back to try to cover a budget deficit amounting to some \$100 million.

The president's commitment to the Pentagon to increase its 1983 budget by 15 percent over the present \$200,000 million — taking into account an estimated 8 percent inflation rate — has already caused some teeth-grinding in Congress.

There is serious doubt that all of the new programs being discussed are affordable," said Mississippi Democratic Sen. John Stennis, one of the most influential members of

Filipinos to form shadow cabinet

MANILA, Jan. 9 (AFP) — Fifteen Philippine opposition leaders in the National Assembly have started organizing a shadow cabinet designed to strengthen the stand of the fragmented minority groups in the law-making body.

Press reports Saturday said the minority leaders were expected to announce the composition of the shadow cabinet at the resumption of the National Assembly sessions on Jan. 18.

Reports said the cabinet, whose scope would be national, would be composed of a shadow president, prime minister and ministers whose work would be limited within the legislative assembly. The opposition's move was construed as a response to a recent challenge by President Ferdinand Marcos for the opposition to work in more united fashion.

the Senate Armed Forces Committee which monitors defense spending.

His doubts reflect Capitol Hill's concerns in a congressional election year. All 435 seats in the House of Representatives and a third of the 100 seats in the Senate will be at stake in nationwide balloting on Nov. 2.

That may explain why even those congressmen and senators who generally support the Pentagon are less willing to approve military credits which they fear will be unpopular with their constituents, observers say.

Nervousness about the military budget's prospects is evident in the White House itself. President Reagan has instructed his inner circle not to divulge any details of the budget until Jan. 26 when he delivers his annual State of the Union message to Congress.

Some Pentagon experts admit in private that Reagan's ambitious rearmament plan may be impossible to finance even with a military spending level of \$1,600 billion over the next five years.

Another Senate Armed Forces Committee member, Georgia Democrat Sam Nunn, believes for example that this would rule out a projected naval buildup of 600 warships. The costs of modern warships speak for themselves: \$3,000 million for a new nuclear-powered, Nimitz class aircraft carrier, \$2,000 million for a Trident submarine.

Inflation has hit the Pentagon hard. The new XM-1 tank with which the army is gradually replacing the M-60 now costs more than \$2.6 million — and it needs 7,000 of them. Plans to modernize U.S. strategic forces provide for the construction of 100 B-1 bombers whose cost ranges, according to various estimates, from \$200 to 400 million each.

Another provision of the plan is deployment of the new MX intercontinental missile from 1986 onward. The cost of this project alone is estimated at more than \$50,000 million. And the Pentagon also wants to build a new military transport plane to carry the U.S. Rapid Deployment Force to international hot spots in times of crisis.

\$4m research project

French scientists to explore Amazon basin

BRASILIA, Brazil, Jan. 9 (AP) — French explorer Jacques Cousteau has announced plans to investigate the vast Amazon River basin calling the expedition one of the longest and costliest of his career.

The 72-year-old oceanographer said a 40-member scientific party plans to embark later this year on a \$4 million research project along the 6,300 kms Amazon River and its hundreds of tributaries.

Cousteau said land and river-based researchers will use rubber rafts, seaplanes, a helicopter, trucks and jeeps as they cross the borders of Venezuela, Peru and Brazil.

The Amazon region, the world's largest river basin, still is largely unexplored. Scientists say there may be hundreds of

thousands of unknown animal and plant species there — as well as dozens of Indian groups that have had little or no contact with the modern world.

"We don't know yet what we are going to find," Cousteau told a news conference in the Brazilian capital. "If we knew, we wouldn't be going to explore there."

Cousteau met with Brazilian officials this week, including President Joao Figueiredo, to discuss the research project. He was to travel next week to Peru for more meetings with officials seeking support for the expedition, scheduled to begin about April.

"We are interested in the water, in its chemical and physical qualities, in the aqua-

tic life ... and in the behavior of some animals as well as the fishing tradition of the people in the region," Cousteau said.

Among other research topics, Cousteau said he wanted to observe the phenomenon of certain rivers, whose different colored waters do not mingle when they flow together.

The phenomenon occurs with the water of the Amazon River and its major tributary, the Black River. Not far from the jungle capital of Manaus, in the heart of the Brazilian Amazon the muddy waters of the Amazon meet the dark waters of the Black River, which run side by side for miles before they slowly flow together.

Cambodia groups urged to unite

BANGKOK, Jan. 9 (AFP) — A committee of patriotic Khmers (Cambodians) in France has called for the immediate unification of all Cambodian resistance factions against the Vietnamese, the ousted Cambodian Khmer Rouge said Saturday.

The call came in a letter to the Khmer Rouge from the group in Paris, Khmer Rouge radio monitored in this Thai capital said. France has a substantial number of people of Asian origin, including Vietnamese boat people.

The letter called for the solidarity of all "national Khmer forces", regardless of political ideology, as a way to get Vietnamese forces to leave Cambodia. The Chinese-backed Khmer Rouge, ousted after Vietnamese intervention in Cambodia in January 1979, are at present deciding whether to join a proposed coalition with two anti-Communist factions.

Unborn baby booked

JOHORE BAHRU, South Malaysia, Jan. 9 (AFP) — A childless couple here has booked an as yet unborn baby for a fee of 3,000 Malaysian dollars (about \$1,300), they have agreed to buy the child, regardless of its sex, and will pay more money if after birth the baby is medically certified as being mentally and physically sound, according to their close friends Saturday.

'Tragedy caused by Maoism' Soviets flay China policies

MOSCOW, Jan. 9 (AFP) — The official Soviet news agency Tass Saturday described China as a country in the grip of political, economic and social crises stemming from allegiance to Maoist principles.

"100 million Chinese go hungry, 150 million do not know how to read or write. 15 million young people are without work. According to certain reports, 250 million rural residents cannot make ends meet," Tass said.

The agency added: "A complicated mixture of economics and politics persists in China. Despite declarations of Chinese leaders that a new way has been found for national economic development, the country remains in serious trouble."

"The problems of (inequality), unemployment, inflation and corruption, resolved for the most part during the first decade of the People's Republic of China, have taken on a

chronic character," the agency said.

Tass also said China was suffering from "political tension ... and internal struggles at all levels of power ... The Communist Party and society in general are in the process of ideological and political decomposition" due to "such serious phenomena as subjectivism, bureaucracy, extreme individualism, anarchy and (social) partitioning."

Tass said: "The purges and readjustments among the top levels of government under the pretext of denouncing puritans of bourgeois liberalism have come to the forefront of interior political rivalries."

"All this shows that the Chinese leaders have not learned from the tragedy caused by Maoism. We understand better the sterility of the efforts made by today's leaders to resolve national problems when we see that they keep the basic principles of Maoism," Tass said.

BRIEFS

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Pope John Paul II Saturday met with French Foreign Minister Claude Cheysson for an hour in a private audience, Vatican officials said. No details of the discussions were released.

MADRID (AP) — Highly placed political sources here said Saturday King Juan Carlos and Queen Sofia will make a state visit to India Jan. 24-31 at the invitation of President Neelam Sanjiva Reddy. The sources said the king scheduled meetings also with Prime Minister Indira Gandhi before flying back home from Madras.

UNITED NATIONS (AFP) — Leila Doss, a native of Egypt and United Nations veteran, was Friday named U.N. undersecretary-general for personnel. Mrs. Doss, 60, headed the U.N. Public Information Department's division on economic and social affairs for the past two years. Jabbes

O.C. Jonah of Sierra Leone, who had been U.N. personnel chief since April 1979, was appointed assistant secretary-general for field operational and external support activities.

LIMA, Peru (R) — A hunger strike by 18 foreigners in Lima's Lurigancho Jail entered its third week Friday and visitors to the prison said their condition was worsening. The visitors said most of the prisoners, including at least nine Americans, three Canadians, a Frenchman, a West German, a Greek, a Chilean and an Argentine, were suffering from dehydration and some from bronchial and stomach disorders.

LOS ANGELES (AFP) — American cinemas achieved record high turnover last year of \$2,978,000 million, representing an increase of 8.9 percent over that in 1980. But the increase was due mainly to an eight percent increase in the price of tickets.

MADRID (AFP) — Marcelino Oreja Aguirre, Spain's governor general of the Basque region, has been elected president of the Basque country's chapter of the Union of the Democratic Center (UCD) party.

Ghanaians may opt for radicalism

ABIDJAN, Ivory Coast, Jan. 9 (AP) — More than a week after the overthrow of a civilian government in Ghana it is still not clear who is running the West African nation and how its staggering economic problems will be tackled.

Flight Lt. Jerry Rawlings, the apparent "strong man" of the new regime said following the Dec. 31 coup that it had been carried out in order to transform Ghana's economic and social order. The tone of subsequent rhetoric is leading diplomatic observers here to believe that the ruling Provisional National Defence Council favors a radical approach to the task, scrapping European-style parliamentary democracy.

Ghana, a nation of more than 12 million people, gained independence 25 years ago, the first black African colony to do so.

Political parties were banned following the coup, the constitution suspended and parliament dismissed. Former President Hilla Limann is under arrest. Former Vice President William Debrafi-Johnson, at least 11 government ministers and more than 60 other leading political figures have turned themselves over to police, "for their own protection," according to Accra radio. Their assets have been frozen.

The composition of the PNDC, apparently chaired by 34-year-old Rawlings, who led the previous coup in June 1979, has not yet been made public.

It is believed that Army Chief of Staff Gen. Nonu Mensah and Army Cmdr. Brig. Arnold Quinsioore members, both served with Rawlings in the four-month rule of the Armed Forces Revolutionary Council.

Accra Radio has been the only source of official information about developments since the coup.

The PNDC has announced that people's tribunals would try former officials accused of corruption and that people's defense councils would be organized to defend the revolution. Similar institutions appeared in Cuba, Nicaragua and Iran after revolutionary upheavals there.

In his first public appearance since Rawlings told a large, union-organized rally Friday that "no one in society has a right to have more than his basic needs when other productive workers can hardly get theirs."

On another occasion he said that foreign investment would be "reviewed" to determine whether it met the best interests of the country. At one time Ghana was the world's leading cocoa producer. But production dropped off 50 percent in the past 10 years because of aging stock, falling prices and poor marketing facilities. Much of what is produced is smuggled to neighboring countries where it fetches higher prices.

According to estimates, Ghana used to be the world's third main gold producer after South Africa and the Soviet Union. But lack of foreign exchange to purchase equipment and poor management have kept annual production at less than six tons.

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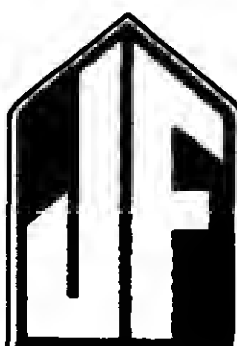
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Unfair trade practices

U.S. steel firms plan steps on importers

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 (R) — Several of the largest U.S. steel manufacturers plan to file unfair trade practice petitions against foreign steel producers next week.

Commerce Secretary Malcolm Baldrige said their action would cause the suspension of the government's Trigger Price Mechanism (TPM), established to protect U.S. steel companies from unfair competition, because it demonstrated the system was not working. "If one of the main players in a situation is being sued, we would have to suspend TPM for everyone," he told a press conference Friday night.

Republic Steel said earlier it would file complaints alleging dumping or illegal subsidies against France, Belgium, West Germany, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Italy, Spain, South Africa, Romania and Britain.

The United States Steel Corporation said it would file 18 complaints Monday and Bethlehem Steel Corporation planned 12 suits against members of the European Economic Community (EEC). U.S. Steel and Beth-

lehem did not specify the countries involved.

Baldrige said the suspension of TPM could lead to a decline in imports in the near future but the longer-term effect was difficult to assess. It would remove the government's only automatic system for initiating unfair trade practice investigations, but it would also remove all constraints on the filing of complaints by private industry.

Under the TPM, the Commerce Department must launch an unfair trade practice investigation if steel imports enter the United States at a price below a preset trigger. The trigger is based on the cost of production in Japan, the world's most efficient steel producer.

The United States can impose penalty duties if the investigation uncovers either illegal subsidies or dumping. U.S. steel companies had originally planned to file their complaints Dec. 1 but delayed action at request of the administration, which had hoped to win pledges of support for the TPM from foreign steel markets.

Despite political differences

Russia stresses trade with West

MOSCOW, Jan. 9 (AFP) — The Soviet Union continues to count on developing trade with capitalist countries despite the worsening of political relations between East and West, Soviet External Trade Minister Nikolai Patolichev said here Saturday.

He told the Soviet Communist Party paper *Pravda* that Socialist countries continued to be the Soviet Union's main trading partners, accounting for more than half of Soviet external trade. But he stressed: "It is significant that even in the complicated situation throughout the world today, the Soviet Union stands by its unswerving policy of developing commercial and economic cooperation with capitalist countries, and this contributes to an improvement of general relations, to the maintenance of détente."

The minister said that "the development of mutually advantageous commerce with industrialized capitalist states ... permits advantage to be taken from the international division of labor so as to get to the bottom of our economic problems."

He added that the success of détente in the 1970's was accompanied by a large extension of economic relations with the West. Patolichev said that the Soviet Union wanted to continue trading with the United States, but noted that the U.S. tended "to use economic relations with the Soviet Union as a means of applying political pressure."

Brandt urges U.S. policy change

KUWAIT, Jan. 9 (AFP) — Former West German Chancellor Willy Brandt was quoted here Saturday as calling on the United States to give up its rigorous economic policies in the coming two years, otherwise it could face "a catastrophe."

Brandt, who is in Kuwait to preside over a meeting of the Brandt Commission, an independent world panel seeking the promotion of cooperation between developed and developing nations, also warned the world against going ahead with its huge armament program at a time when a fraction of the

armament expenditure could solve the development problems of Third World countries.

Brandt did not elaborate, but observers said he was referring to the foreign aid policies pursued by the Reagan administration, its direction of world bodies in charge of international financing such as the World Bank, and strict pursuit of a free-market economy with adversely affects the economies of developing nations and the world economy at large.

Phone bills may double as ATT suit is ended

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 (R) — The U.S. government has ended years of litigation and settled anti-monopoly suits against two of the world's largest companies.

Friday's decisions involved American Telephone and Telegraph (ATT) and International Business Machines (IBM). One result is likely to be a doubling of local telephone rates for Americans, an ATT official told reporters. ATT announced at a press conference that it had agreed to the government's terms and was divesting itself of all its local telephone service companies. In return, the telecommunications giant will be permitted to enter the lucrative computer and data processing fields.

A few hours later, the justice department said it was dropping a 13-year suit against IBM, the computer giant, opening the way for intense competition between the two firms. Assistant Attorney General William

Baxter said it was sheer coincidence that the two suits were ended in one day.

Under the ATT settlement, the firm will retain control of its long-distance telephone network between cities, but there will be an end to the arrangement under which long-distance profits subsidized the cost of local telephone services. For this reason, the cost of local calls is likely to double, according to an ATT official.

The Pentagon had expressed concern that any breakup of ATT might jeopardize U.S. national security, causing disruptions in communications in an emergency. But Baxter said the Defense Department could withstand the effects of the settlement.

ATT officials said one reason the world's largest firm had agreed to the settlement was to avoid further court costs, which have already soared to \$360 million since the case began in 1974.

London transport may cost more

LONDON, Jan. 9 (AFP) — London public transport fares are probably going to be doubled, with the result that the city's transport system could be "cut to ribbons", a Greater London Council (GLC) spokesman warned Friday.

The announcement followed the British government's refusal of a GLC plea for aid after the House of Lords declared illegal the council's decision last year to halve the fares and finance the cut with higher householder and business rates.

A colleague of GLC Chairman David Livingstone said that his routes might now have to be cut by 25 percent and the night service eliminated completely. He said the public transport system of Britain's capital city could be "cut to ribbons" and that the "real risk is that many people could be without public transport altogether". The result, he said, could be that commuters might find it cheaper to take a London taxi than the underground railway or buses.

On petrochemical complex Mitsui sends 'ultimatum' to Iran

TOKYO, Jan. 9 (AFP) — Japan's Mitsui group will seek a one-year delay in repaying loans to a group of Japanese banks as a step toward withdrawing from a troubled petrochemical project in southwest Iran, informed sources said Saturday.

The sources said the move, planned for early next week, indicated that chances were very slim that Mitsui and Iran would continue the \$3.2 billion project by scrapping the existing contract and signing a new one. The Japanese, who have contributed some \$1.3 billion wanted Iran to make a greater financial contribution to the project, while Iran has wanted work to resume under terms of the original contract.

Five Mitsui-affiliated companies which have participated in the project by investing in the Iran Chemical Development Co. (ICDC) — Japanese investment firm for the project — Friday sent Iran what appeared to be an ultimatum. This demanded that Iran accept the latest Japanese proposal or risk the unilateral Japanese termination of the contract.

Supplies hit

Mexico truckers' strike continues

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 9 (AP) — Mexico will open a rail and air "bridge" to take food and other supplies to northwest Mexico while talks with striking truckers continue, Interior Minister Enrique Olivares Santana said here Thursday night.

The strike in western Mexico started last Sunday and has tied up at least 3,500 trucks, many carrying perishable goods. Truckers said they were striking to protest corrupt federal highway police practices of demanding frequent large bribes from the drivers. Thursday's talks started at noon and ended after 11 p.m., but there was no word on what if anything was agreed to. "The state is not deaf," Olivares said, listening to the arguments of the

strikers," Olivares Santana said on leaving the meeting.

The northwestern Mexican states of Sinaloa, Sonora, Nayarit and Jalisco are running short of fuel, some food and other items usually trucked into the region. Hospitals said they are running out of some supplies including oxygen. Winter agricultural exports to the United States are supplied from much of the area affected. The interior minister did not announce details of when or how the air and rail bridge would operate. The meeting involved striking truckers, Olivares Santana and minister of transport and communications, Emilio Mujica Mootoya.

Tanker market remains 'very quiet'

LONDON, Jan. 9 (AFP) — The tanker market has been very quiet over the past two weeks with equity extremely spasmic over the end of the holiday period, tonnage remaining more than abundant and rates low. In the Gulf states, there will be an estimated 42 supertankers with an aggregate deadweight of 16 million tons up for hire by the end of January, the London shipbroker E.A. Gibson said. There are about 30 such vessels waiting there now.

Among the few fixtures reported, Japanese charters were able to repeat their near

three-year low of worldwide 23.5 for a 250,000 tonner.

More business was reported out of Kharg Island. West African loading areas saw considerable activity prior to the end of the year, but there was a lull afterward, although several cargoes are now quoting.

More oil found in Venezuela

CARACAS, Venezuela, Jan. 9 (AP) — Corpoven, a subsidiary of the National Oil Monopoly Petroleros de Venezuela, announced the discovery of a new well in a little-developed region just west of productive Laka Maracaibo, in western Venezuela.

The well yields 2,400 barrels per day in initial tests, the company said. It added that the petroleum does not contain hydrosulfuric acid. "This promising discovery on land, in the Lake Maracaibo Basin, confirms the existence of commercially exploitable hydrocarbons in the area," the Corpoven announcement said.

ATHENS, (AFP) — Christina Oonassis, daughter of the late Greek shipping magnate Aristotle Onassis, is the first-ever woman candidate for the executive committee of the Greek Shipowners Union, with this year's elections in Pireus Monday, an informed source said here Saturday. The executive committee elects a president for a year.

COPENHAGEN, (AFP) — France Friday agreed that the fishing accord thrashed out last month between the European Economic Community (EEC) and Norway could be put into temporary effect for three months, a Danish fishing ministry spokesman said. The accord will allow 420 Danish trawlers with fishing licenses from Norway to fish in the Norwegian fishing zone. Freoch objections had earlier stopped the accord being realized.

BELGRADE, (AFP) — Yugoslavia Friday decided to grant food aid worth about \$11 million the Yugoslav news agency Tanjug reported. The aid is in addition to con-

Dollar closes on firm note

By J. H. Hammond

JEDDAH, Jan. 9 — Despite the reported December rise in U.S. unemployment figures, and a modest fall in the U.S. money supply of \$1.4 billion for the past reporting weeks, the American currency closed at the highest levels against most other foreign currencies in New York Friday night. Stable to firm U.S. dollar interest rates continued to be the major factor with dealers believing that dollar interest rates will continue rising next week when the markets reopen. Gold and silver continued to fluctuate erratically, with gold closing at \$395 per ounce in New York Friday night. In the local markets, Saturday saw a moderately busy day with some activity reported in both the exchange and money markets.

The dollar was extremely strong against the British pound and the Japanese yen, but gains were recorded against other currencies too. The pound closed at 1.9025 levels which is nearly one and a half cents down Thursday prices. The Japanese yen was also down from 221.10 levels to 222.80 while the Swiss franc lost ground to close in New York at 1.8335 from 1.8270 levels. The German mark, despite some Bundesbank support, closed about 100 points lower to end the week at 2.2650 while the French franc remained unchanged at 5.7350 levels.

Dollar interest rate firmness was the major factor contributing to the dollar's strong performance. While Federal Reserve "Fed Funds" rates closed the week

down to 11 7/8 percent from 12 1/4 percent Thursday, the money markets were now of the mood and the belief that Eurodollar interest rates will continue to rise next week. Not even the release of the fall in the M1-B measurement of the weekly money supply figures could change this prevailing mood. As a consequence, one month Eurodollar rates are now quoted at 13 1/4-13 1/2 percent, three months at 13 1/4-13 1/2 percent and the one year at 14 9/16-14 11/16 percent.

On the local markets, rial deposit rates remained firm for most of the day with some rises reported in the short dated funds over opening levels. Activity continued to be directed toward the shorter tenors with one year rates now hardly moving from levels of 12 1/4-12 3/4 percent for the past week. One month JIBOR rates however, are now quoted at 9 1/4-10 1/4 percent after opening at Thursday levels of 9 1/4-10 percent. The week fixed deposit is similarly up to 9-10 percent which is an increase of about 1/2 to 3/4 percent over Thursday closing prices. Overnight funds are quoted at 8-9 percent but Jeddah dealers reported few transactions done.

One of the local exchanges, spot rial opened at 3.4195-05 levels and remained that way for most of the business day. Institutions were out too large to take up any significant dollar positions before seeing how the European markets would open Monday.

EEC split on Polish aid reported

BRUSSELS, Jan. 9 (R) — Signs of a split are emerging among European Community (EEC) states about whether to halt the community's food aid to Poland, diplomatic sources said Friday.

Differences among the two are expected to surface at a meeting of EEC permanent representatives called for next Tuesday to discuss the Polish crisis, the sources said. They said most EEC governments favor cancelling, or at least postponing indefinitely, a new \$200 million cheap food arrangement originally planned for the first three months of this year.

Plans for the arrangement were held back after martial law was declared in Poland in 1981.

Some member states, including Britain, also want to halt deliveries of meat, cereals and butter under an existing aid program agreed well before troops appeared on Polish streets. But France and Greece oppose any interruption of food aid and diplomats in Brussels said they fear a row at Tuesday's meeting which could damage the fragile unity on the Polish issue achieved by EEC foreign ministers earlier this week.

American economic revival seen

NEW YORK, Jan. 9 (R) — A leading American bank has said that the recession in the United States may be coming to an end.

In its latest monthly survey, Morgan

Guaranty Trust said that even though the evidence was sketchy, the holiday season was not the disaster for the country's shops and retail trade that had been anticipated. It also pointed to several economic statistics, such as the number of new houses under construction, which suggest the decline in economic activity was being arrested.

The survey was written before Thursday's news that unemployment in December rose 8.9 percent with nearly 9.5 million Americans out of work. But the bank's economists said the figure still did not alter their outlook. The Morgan economists forecast economic growth (Gross National Product) would show a 3.3 percent annual rise in the second quarter this year after declining an expected 0.5 percent rate in the first quarter and at 5.3 percent in the last quarter of 1981.

Mobil Oil barred from buying U.S. Steel chips

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 — The giant U.S. oil company Mobil Oil was Friday temporarily barred by the Federal Commerce Commission from buying shares in U.S. Steel, the biggest steel group in the United States.

The commission, which halted the share purchases for 20 days, asked Mobil to give the reasons why it was aiming at eventually collecting 15 to 25 percent of U.S. Steel capital. The oil giant recently lost an acrimonious takeover battle with U.S. Steel or the Marathon Oil Company.

Informed financial sources said Mobil was aiming to obtain an important shareholding in U.S. Steel in order to pressure the steel giant into giving up some of the assets of Marathon Oil, particularly its oilfields.

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tributions from other welfare bodies in the country. Earlier this week, for instance, the Yugoslav Red Cross sent Poland an initial food consignment worth more than \$25,000.

PARIS, (AFP) — Of every 10 households in France, nine have television sets, seven have a car and a telephone and one has a second residence, according to figures released by the National Institute of Statistics here.

PARIS, (AFP) — Two French construction firms will sign a 1,600-million-franc (\$267-million) contract Jan. 16 to build 15,000 prefabricated dwellings in Singapore. The announcement was made simultaneously in Singapore and by the headquarters of one of the companies, Grands Travaux de Marseille (GTM), here. The other French firm was identified as Coligny. They are to sign the contract with the Housing Development Board of Singapore.

Foreign Exchange Rates

Quoted at 7:00 p.m. Saturday			
	SAMA	Cash	Transfer
Bahraini Dinar	9.00	9.09	
Bangladesh Taka	—	4415.20	
Belgian Franc (1,000)	—	86.10	
Canadian Dollar	—	290.00	
Deutsche Mark (100)	151.50	151.30	
Dutch Guilder (100)	138.00	137.85	
Egyptian Pound	3.50	3.95	
Emirate Dirham (100)	83.00	83.15	
French Franc (100)	60.00	59.85	
Greek Drachma (1,000)	55.00	59.40	
Indian Rupee (100)	—	37.40	
Iranian Rial (100)	—	—	
Irish Dollar	6.50	—	
Italian Lira (10,000)	28.70	28.50	
Japanese Yen (1,000)	—	15.60	
Jordanian Dinar	10.17	10.10	
Kuwaiti Dinar	12.15	12.14	
Lebanese Lira (100)	74.20	73.85	
Moroccan Dirham (100)	60.50	64.45	
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	34.68	
Philippines Peso (100)	—	42.25	
Pound Sterling	6.58	6.535	
Qatari Rial (100)	94.00	94.05	
Singapore Dollar (100)	—	167.65	
Spanish Peseta (1,000)	—	35.30	
Swiss Franc (100)	187.25	187.00	
Syrian Lira (100)	58.70	63.50	
Turkish Lira (1,000)	—	—	
U.S. Dollar	3.429	3.422	
Yemeni Rial (100)	75.00	74.90	

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" " "	Maintenance and renovation of 46/M Al-Qoufah streets;	200		16-1-82
" " "	Temporary surfacing at Yanbu 47/M Al-Nikhil rural complex;	300		13-2-82

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4	Salah	O.C.E.	General	08-01-82
5	Mona	Sadaka	General	05-01-82
	Glennakis	Kanoo	Reefer	
	Seronie Ibn Maix	Contrs/Steel/General		
		O.C.E.	Frozen Chicken	29-12-81
8	Orient Pine	O.C.E.	Bagged Barley	27-12-81
9	Natch Nodilo	Attar	Gen/Resin/Timber	07-01-82
10	Al Rahman	S.A.M.A.	Durra/Sesame Seed	03-01-82
11	Dobrota	Algozabi	Bagged Barley	03-01-82
12	Pinefipi	El Hawai	Bagged Sugar	03-01-82
13	Boleslaw Ruminaki	Attar	Contrs	28-12-81
14	El Quinto	O.C.E.	Fruit	31-12-81
15	Queen of Sheeba	Ori	Coffee/H. Beans/S.Seed	31-12-81
16	Ionian Carrier	Rolaco	Bulk Cement	31-12-81
18	Dalia — 2	Rolaco	Loading Cement	31-12-81
19	Armonia	Alasbah	Bulk Cement	01-01-82
2020	Golden Damir	El Hawi	Contrs/Ply/St/Gen/Tam	03-01-82
21	Resurgance Express	Bamaodah	Bagged Wheat	27-12-81
22	Nandu Arrow	Gulf	Tmb/Poles/Ply/B.Cem.	30-12-81
23	Hilco Skier	O.C.E.	Frozen Chicken	29-12-81
24	Vincenza	Alreza	C. Food/St/Cem./Gen.	01-01-82
25	Caribbean universal	Star	Banabas	25-12-81
26	M. Kalinowski	Attar	Contrs/C.I. Pipes/General/Ldg. Mtya	01-01-82
27	Jessenice	Attar	Tobacco/Seeds/Spices	30-12-81
28	Cortina	S.N.L.	General/Containers	02-01-82
31	Syros	M.T.A.	Reefer	27-12-81
35	Grainforever	Algozabi	Containers	03-01-82
38	Haj Anwer	El Hawi	Timber/Plywood	01-01-82
36	Al Shamiah	Kanoo	Containers/Ldg. Mtya	03-01-82
39	Axis — 1	Star	Durra	30-12-81
40	Brenda	El Hawi	Tiles/General	02-01-82
41	Midas Seine	Bamaodah	Wheat/Barley	22-12-81
42	Safina-e-Rehmat	Bamaodah	Bagged Barley	02-01-82
43	Alassiri	Baghdadia	Bagged Barley	07-01-82

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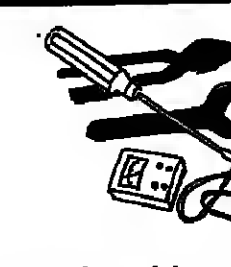


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'LIMITED' SANCTIONS

The U.N. Security Council is said to be contemplating some "limited" sanctions against Israel, following its refusal to rescind its decision to annex Syria's Golan Heights. Such sanctions, however, and assuming the United States will allow them to pass, will not only prove ineffective, but might mean the closure of the episode as far as the United Nations is concerned. The limited and voluntary sanctions will be seen as the price paid by Israel for its criminal act, so that, once paid, the culprit might be held absolved from the crime.

This is a far cry from the original brave resolution of the Security Council on Dec. 17 which declared the annexation null and void and demanded that Israel rescind it on pain of being forced to do so if it refuses.

The means the U.N. has at its disposal are international economic sanctions, and powerful enough they are if the will to use them was present. But that will is lacking, or rather it is hamstrung by the inevitable veto from the United States, which will neither help the international community to put an end to Israel's constant violation of international law, nor unilaterally put pressure on Israel toward that same end.

If the Security Council finds in the end that it can do nothing but "recommend" those "limited" and "voluntary" sanctions, then it is its own resolution of Dec. 17 which is being rescinded and not Israel's. And this will be the fault, not so much of the U.N. or its Security Council, but of the United States, whose actions have shown it to be in agreement with all of Israel's crimes against the Palestinians, Syria, the Arab world and the international community as a whole.

Saudi Arabian press review

Crown Prince Fahd's address at the Technological Studies Institute in Dhahran affirming the Kingdom's unwavering support for Islamic and Arab causes, the GCC labor and social affairs ministers conference here, and the Security Council debate on the Golan Heights annexation figured for editorial comments in Saturday's newspapers.

Dealing with Prince Fahd's address, *Al-Bilad* said, "Prince Fahd has stressed King Khalid's desire to achieve a strategic progress in all spheres with a special emphasis on defense."

The paper called for adopting a firm stand against the enemy's ambitions and challenges. *Al-Bilad* said Saudi Arabia was able to score an international victory over the Zionist lobby through the U.S. approval of the AWACS deal. The paper urged the Islamic and Arab nation to heal its rifts and maintain unity within the framework of Islamic tenets and divine law.

Commenting on the Saudi Arabian armed forces, *Al-Jazirah* said, "It has become an Islamic-Arab power. The progress achieved by the Kingdom's armed forces has provoked the envy of the enemies of the Arabs and Islam. It is playing a key role in defending the nation."

Dealing with the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) labor and social affairs ministers conference, which opened in Riyadh Saturday, *Okaz* said the improvement of social services and upgrading of the productivity skills of the Gulf citizens will form a firm basis for

the security and stability in the Gulf region and lead to the economic development of the region.

The paper felt the Gulf states should give priority to their social welfare schemes "so as to defeat the enemy's attempts at undermining the stability and security of the region."

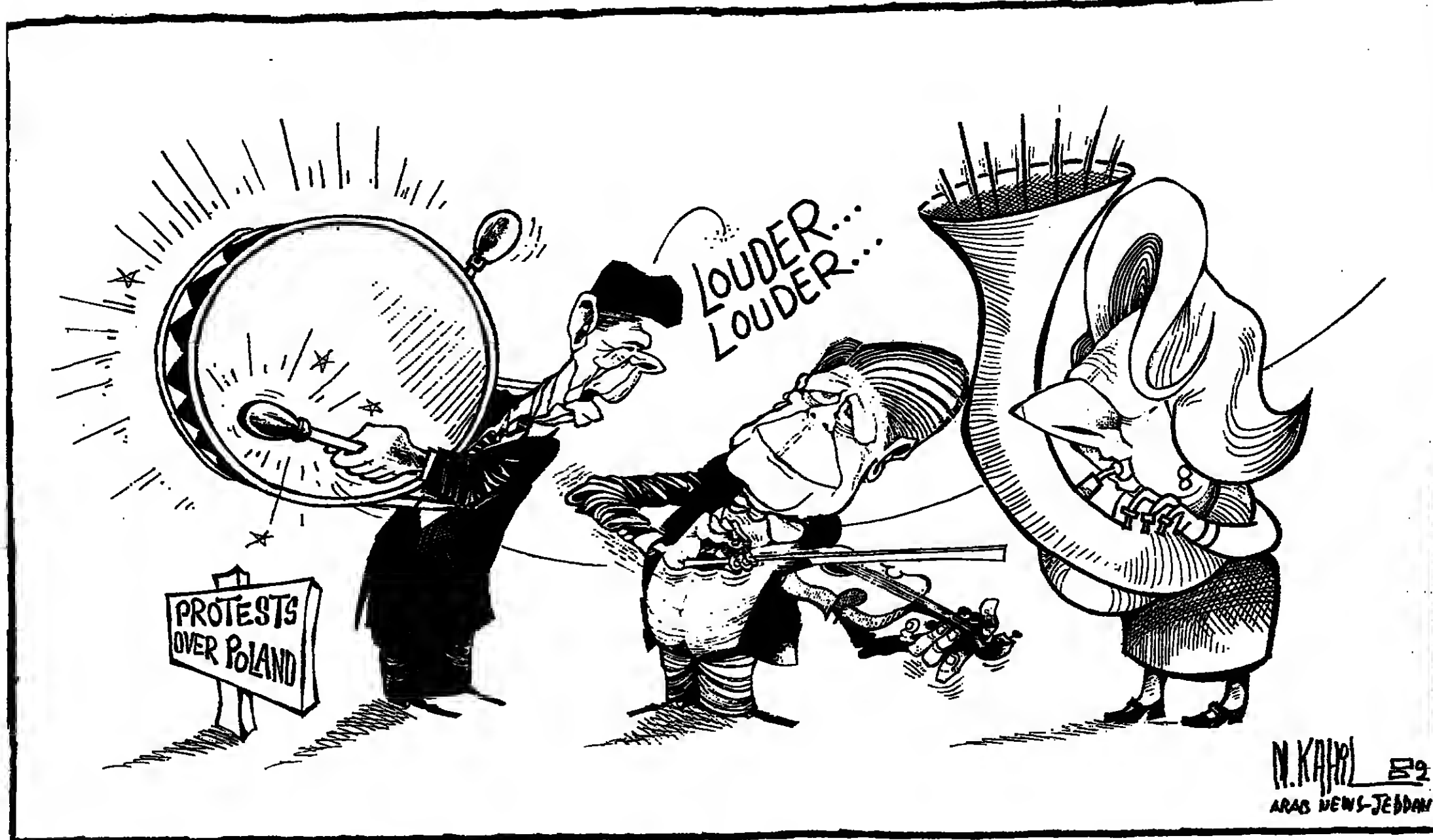
"The citizens form the foundation of growth and progress of any state. As such, developing and improving the social conditions of the Gulf citizens should be treated as an urgent necessity for a comprehensive development of the Gulf states," the paper added.

Al-Madina deplored the U.S. administration's attempts to obstruct any possible sanctions against Israel over its unilateral annexation of the Syrian Golan Heights, disregarding international law and resolutions of the United Nations.

The paper criticized some European states, "which have already joined the U.S. in voicing objections over possible sanctions against the Zionist enemy for its aggressive move to annex the Syrian Golan Heights."

The paper said the Arab nation "is now faced with a new Zionist crusade alliance."

"The American stand on the issue contradicts with its past stand, when it had supported sanctions against the regime in South Africa. It is strange that the U.S. is now obstructing sanctions against Israel. It is a shameful stigma on the face of American policy," the paper added. (SPA)



Polish crisis jolts West Germany's peace movement

By Paul Taylor

BONN — The imposition of martial law in Poland has caught West Germany's strong peace movement off balance and may damage its campaign against deployment of new U.S. missiles in Western Europe, according to political sources. Most of the movement's best known leaders have kept silent about the crushing of Solidarity, the free trade union which some West German leftists hoped would prove a tangible product of European détente.

Statements by the few leaders who have spoken out suggest the peace movement is deeply divided over Poland. "There's no doubt that the Polish situation has created a crisis in the peace movement, especially for those groups which launched one-sided attacks on Western rearmament," a spokesman for the "Greens" ecology party said. The Greens, a central force in the peace movement, said in a statement that the Polish crisis showed the urgent need for an end to the system of power blocs in Europe and that the West must take the lead.

Nobel prize-winning author Heinrich Böll, the movement's most respected intellectual, called a news conference last month to denounce what he called West Germany's weak response to army rule in Warsaw. Böll, himself a Socialist, scolded the West German left for "failing to recognize the moral issues at stake".

But the leading Social Democratic peace campaigner, former Minister Erhard Eppler, while condemning martial law, said the Polish events were no worse than what was happening in Latin American states backed by the United States. Eppler ridiculed the idea of Western economic sanctions against Warsaw or Moscow over the Polish crisis.

"Where would it lead us?" he said in an interview. "Imagine what would happen if the Soviet Union imposed sanctions on the West over military repression in Turkey, in El Salvador or in the United States backed-states in Latin America."

West Germany's Protestant Church, a strong element in the peace movement, has held back from commenting on Poland while the Catholic Church, strongly critical of the pacifists, voiced outrage and called street protests against martial law.

Western diplomats here have long believed that direct Soviet intervention in Poland would shatter the peace movement and ensure the deployment of U.S. Cruise and Pershing 1-2 medium-range nuclear missiles. But many analysts think the intervention of Polish troops in Poland may already have set back the movement's campaign against Western rearmament.

"It makes their claim of a growing pan-European disarmament movement opposed to both superpowers untenable," one diplomat said. The diplomats said the Bonn government's cautious response to Polish events, rejecting U.S. calls for sanctions, had strengthened Chancellor Helmut Schmidt's hand in dealing with the peace campaigners.

"Schmidt is showing them convincingly that he is neither soft on the Russians nor a tool of the Americans," another diplomat said. The diplomats said the move which could give the peace movement a new lease of life would be an American withdrawal from the Geneva talks with Moscow on curbing medium-range missiles in Europe.

"Every peace movement spokesman in Germany would rise up and declare that the Americans were

never seriously interested in disarmament from the outset," a Western defense expert said. But the diplomats stressed that despite public discussion of such a move, there was no sign that the U.S. administration intended to pull out of any disarmament talks.

West German analysts say the Poland crisis has shown the fragility of the peace movement. "What was beginning to look like a catch-all movement with political potential has turned out to be a highly vulnerable single-issue group," said a political scientist who has studied the movement closely.

Both German analysts and foreign diplomats say the future of the movement may hinge on events in Poland. If the situation in Poland does not deteriorate, the effects of the present crisis could wear off soon and the peace campaigners return to the stridency of last year, they say.

The Greens spokesman said the Polish crisis could transform the movement "from its present missile-counting stance to one dealing more fundamentally with the issue of peace." But as one campaigner said: "The Polish crisis will continue to hang like a sword of Damocles over the head of the peace movement." (R)

Pretoria's strategy heightens tension in African states

By Allister Sparks

SALISBURY — Southern Africa has suffered a year of wars and rumors of wars.

The fighting in Namibia intensified and spilled over into Angola as South Africa conducted search-and-destroy raids against SWAPO, the Namibian guerrilla movement, opening the way for Dr. Jonas Savimbi's UNITA rebels to become more active in southern Angola.

War began in Mozambique. In January last year a South African task force attacked three African National Congress houses on the outskirts of Maputo, killing 34 people. Later in the year a more protracted and serious war took shape to the north of Maputo, as the Mozambique Resistance Movement mounted a guerrilla campaign against President Samora Machel's government, allegedly with South African assistance.

There was war in tiny Lesotho. Ntsu Mokhehle and his Basutoland Congress Party, cheated of election victory when Prime Minister Leabua Jonathan suspended the count in 1971, have gone into exile and formed a guerrilla movement, the Lesotho Liberation Army. Again South Africa is accused of complicity.

Robert Mugabe complained that South Africa was training former Rhodesian dissidents to destabilize Zimbabwe. The black lobby in Washington claimed evidence that South Africa had a "hit list" of ANC leaders to be assassinated in African states. Joe Gqabi, head of the ANC office in Salisbury, was murdered outside his home in August. Khulaki Sello, a lawyer who defended ANC cases in Lesotho, had his house blown up in September. President Kaunda of Zambia accused South Africa of sending assassins to kill him.

In November mercenaries recruited in South Africa tried to stage a coup in the Seychelles.

And slowly, throughout the year, a low-intensity guerrilla war gathered momentum in South Africa. There were bomb explosions in Durban. East London, Cape Town and Soweto; railway trucks were blown up and there were several attacks on police stations in black areas.

At the center of all these events lay a single, seminal factor: the failure of the South African prime minister, P.W. Botha, to fulfill his earlier promises of reform. In 1979 and 1981 Botha had warned his white countrymen that they would have to "reform to avoid revolution," but a general election in April revealed a strong backlash, with one-third of Afrikaners voting for the extremist Herstigte Nasionale Party.

Botha realized he could not reform fast enough without splitting his ruling Afrikaner National Party, which would mean splitting the Afrikaner folk. To an Afrikaner leader that is unthinkable: unity is regarded as the fundamental requirement for national survival.

So reform had to be geared down to a pace that the party's most conservative elements would find acceptable and the threat of revolution held off by mobilizing the state for a "total strategy." The effects of this decision have rippled throughout the

subcontinent.

Total strategy takes two forms. One is tighter authoritarian control at home, with more detentions and increased pressures on the press. The other is to keep the neighboring states on the hop, constantly reminding them of their vulnerability in the face of South Africa's military and economic dominance, so as to discourage them from getting any ideas about aiding ANC guerrillas.

The economic reminders have been as obvious as the military ones. Locomotives and railway technicians on loan to Zimbabwe were withdrawn and the turnaround times of Zimbabwean rail traffic

through South Africa lengthened.

At the same time Mozambique guerrillas blew up the Pungwe bridge connecting Zimbabwe to the port of Beira, stopping road and rail traffic and delaying the reopening of Zimbabwe's oil pipeline. Frogmen closed the port itself by cutting the navigational buoys in its approach channels.

Meanwhile, the deepening war in southern Angola and the continued support for Savimbi kept the Benguela line to the port of Mocimedes closed. So Zaire, Zambia, Zimbabwe and Botswana all found themselves dependent on the South African railways and harbor system, with South Africa able

to slow down their traffic to choking point at will. A chillingly effective lesson, but a dangerous one. The trouble with South Africa's strategy is that it is heightening the paranoia in African states that Pretoria has aggressive designs on them, particularly in the light of the Seychelles coup attempt.

This is causing them to look more and more toward the Soviet bloc for the kind of military protection they feel they need — which in turn heightens South Africa's paranoia about the "red menace" around its borders.

So 1981 closed with the barometers of tension and neurosis high and rising. (ONS)

Gang war terrorizes Indian villages

By Jamal Rasheed

DELHI — Travel in India's northern states of Uttar Pradesh and Bihar is not easy right now. Thousands of armed bandits known as dacoits roam the road and rail networks, there are daily murders and shoot-outs with the police, and hundreds of villages are being terrorized.

A senior government official has admitted that one in five trains in Bihar is looted by bandits and that in Uttar Pradesh law and order is near breaking point. Bloody head counts are published daily in Delhi newspapers. In December alone police claimed to have killed 232 dacoits in "encounters." Another 937 dacoits, 121 robbers and 238 murderers were arrested.

The reasons for this crisis in two provinces close to the capital are complex. Feudal landlords hire gangs to make peasants pay their rent. These gangs

harass entire villages and soon extend their power to the district level, where they are protected by landlords, police officers and officials.

Gang warfare for control of districts brings more bloodshed. Vendettas grow among caste, class and clan in Hindu and Muslim peasant communities as each group uses dacoits to further its own interests. Economic causes underline the problem. The overwhelming poverty of Uttar Pradesh has been accentuated by the lack of any reform which would give the millions of landless a place to grow food. Birth control programs have collapsed in the disorder created by violence.

The role of the police is highly controversial. On Boxing Day near Lucknow the police killed four men of the dreaded Kashi gang, which had been responsible for a series of murders, kidnappings and robberies, and the killing of two police officers. Thirteen others were arrested.

It has not been established how the four bandits died, and there is a growing feeling that the police, tired of cumbersome legal processes, have been taking the law into their own hands. Many of what the police term "encounters" are alleged to be cold-blooded murders rather than shoot-outs. The local politician gives the police a target to reach... so many dacoits must be eliminated every month... and they go about it in the easiest way they know how," one opposition leader said.

Last month there was a special debate in parliament about an horrendous incident in Deoli village, Uttar Pradesh, on Nov. 18. Twenty-four Harijan untouchables, including nine women and six children, were killed by eight dacoits in the pay of local landlords.

Banditry is not new in this feudal heartland of India. It was rampant in Mogul times and the British launched a big campaign against it in the 19th century.

Central America set for more violence

By Isaac A. Levi

MEXICO CITY — The carnage in Central America could get worse in 1982 with signs pointing to a step-up by leftist guerrillas in their fight for power — something the United States seems determined to stop.

The administration of U.S. President Ronald Reagan has accused the Soviet Union, Cuba and Nicaragua of secretly sending aid and weapons to rebels in El Salvador and Guatemala. Although the Soviets, Cubans and Nicaraguans deny official knowledge of such arms traffic, U.S. officials insist it exists.

More than 85,000 people have been killed in the past three years in battles between leftists and rightists in Central America. The area has a population of 23 million.

More than 32,000 people have been killed since Oct. 15, 1979, in El Salvador's guerrilla revolution. Many more deaths could come around Jan. 22 when the guerrillas are said to plan another major push against the U.S.-backed military-civilian junta to

mark the 50th anniversary of "la masacre" when 32,000 people were killed in a rightist push to put down a Communist-led peasant uprising.

The Reagan administration has provided El Salvador's junta with \$75 million in military aid and 56 U.S. military advisers to help put down the insurrection. But neither side appears to be winning.

In Nicaragua, where 50,000 people were killed in the Sandinista revolution that ousted dictator Anastasio Somoza in 1979, the governing junta has launched a "militarization" campaign that U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig has said raises the threat of war in Central America.

More than 3,500 people have been killed during the past two years in Guatemala, where four guerrilla groups are fighting to overthrow Gen. Fernando Romeo Lucas Garcia's rightist regime. Many are skeptical that elections scheduled for March 7 in Guatemala and March 21 in El Salvador will end the violence.

Even placid Costa Rica and Honduras had outbreaks of terrorism in 1981. Roberto Suazo Cordoba, a 53-year-old doctor, takes over as president

of Honduras on Jan. 27, ending 17 years of military rule. But, on top of some crushing economic problems, the country last year had a severe outbreak of terrorism.

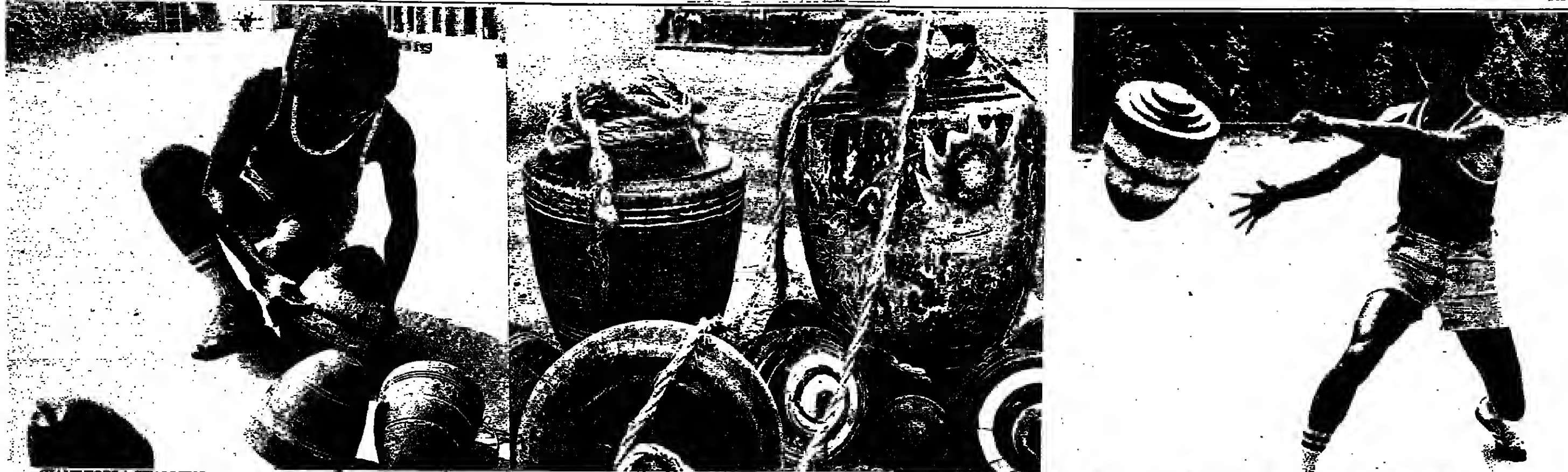
Costa Rica, regarded as Latin America's stablest democracy, had its first hijack in October. Earlier, terrorists threw bombs, killed three policemen and wounded three U.S. Embassy Marine guards in separate attacks. (AP)

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GIANT TOPS A CHALLENGE: Tops, favorite toys of boys and teenagers have recently appeared in Taipei in amazingly heavy weights, especially in Taichung, a small mountainous town in Taoyuan County. These new tops weigh from three to 73.2 kilograms each. Their weight means a new challenge to the physical ability and techniques used by players. These tops are regarded as tools to improve the players health, rather than merely cut little toys.

Small El Salvador towns suffering from the life-draining civil war

By Sol Sossman

SUCHITOTO, El Salvador (AP) — The first signs of abandonment and isolation appear long before you enter this beleaguered city. They are in the winding, rutted dirt-road detour that has been the only access to Suchitoto from San Salvador, the capital 20 miles (32 km) to the south since Oct. 27 when guerrillas blew up the bridge three miles (4-km) from town.

Where the detour joins the main highway, the only rural houses visible from the road are empty, their inhabitants gone to fight with the guerrillas or to seek safety in the city.

A deserted Texaco gasoline station is just inside the city limits. Faded signs offer reminders of Suchitoto's better days.

It is the silence, most of all, that sets Suchitoto aside from towns less affected by the civil war in tiny, crowded El Salvador.

"This is our dominion," says an army commander standing in the nearly empty town plaza. He gestured to include the city and the surrounding land. They (the guerrillas) are dominant on the volcano that's over there."

The commander, who asked not to be identified, pointed to Guazapa, the towering volcano considered a main stronghold of

leftist guerrillas in their fight to oust the U.S.-supported civilian-military junta.

The population of this picturesque city that was El Salvador's first capital still is estimated at about 15,000 the same as before the leftist-rightist violence and the guerrillas' botched "final offensive" of January 1980 that started the flight of the residents.

But the population now consists almost entirely of refugees from other areas, either renting or squatting in the abandoned houses, and economic activity has withered.

"There are very few sales because of the situation," pharmacy owner Elio Monje Acosta said. He added that he and his wife purchased the business, one of the few shops still open here in September hoping for a return to normalcy. They are still hoping.

Tens of thousands of Salvadorans have been displaced or have left the country since the October 1979 coup that installed the current regime, church and human rights groups estimate at least 32,000 people have been killed in the political violence.

Residents of Suchitoto report gunfire almost every night.

"There are a fair number of clashes," said a sergeant at a guard post outside town. He declined to give his name.

The army commander estimated that about 40 percent of Suchitoto's residents live on charity while most of the rest get money from relatives in calmer areas.

"There is no work here," a woman who came from the countryside with her nine children said.

Often there is no water, electricity or telephone service, either. Guerrillas in their campaign economic sabotage cut the lines regularly.

"They connect the electricity by day, at night the guerrillas take it away," said Alejandro Coto, a civic activist and one of the estimated 3,000 residents who stayed. "They take away the water at any moment that pleases them."

Coto has a storybook house with extensive gardens on a bluff overlooking Guazapa. He said about one family a day is leaving for lack of work, down from the exodus rate earlier in the year.

Coto said he objects to living amid a "series of lies" about government control of the countryside.

He said there are regular announcements of army operations on Guazapa or nearby, with no difference in the daily life of Suchitoto.

Lvov, USSR is a small Soviet city showing a variety of faces to visitors

By Marc Rosenwasser

LVOV, U.S.S.R. (AP) — This old city, once part of nearby Poland, turns a variety of faces to a visitor. You can walk upstairs at a local club, past a bust of Vladimir I. Lenin, and view movies.

A large group of women and a few men press their noses against a store window to watch a new shipment of sweaters being

unpacked by a saleswoman, surrounded by a large crowd straining to buy the goods.

Long lines form in stores at 6 p.m. every night as shoppers line up for butter. There is little but sausage in state stores selling meat, and by late afternoon a visitor to the state vegetable store finds produce very sparse.

As in Moscow, far better quantities and varieties of meat and vegetables are on sale at the local farmers' market, where profits go

directly to the grower of the food.

Throughout this old city of 700,000 a visitor encounters a curious fascination with, and suspicion of, things foreign.

A Japanese camera banging from a Western visitor's neck is the object of long, hard stares on the street. Teen-agers crowd into a state-run second-hand store to ogle Western cameras and listen to music blasting from a foreign tape player. One such apparatus was selling for 1,600 rubles (\$2,240), 80 percent of the average Soviet worker's yearly salary.

Try to snap a picture of a pedestrian and he's more likely than not to turn the other way. Try to take a photograph of something as seemingly inconsequential as shoppers in the farmers' market and the policeman posted there will tell you to put your camera away — fast.

There is a curious mix of warmth and suspicion displayed toward foreigners as well.

A Western visitor and two companions, who met two Soviet citizens while strolling the city, were treated to tea, taken to a film lecture series and then back to the restaurant for yet another round of tea.

Local officials claim that serious disputes hardly ever happen in Lvov. As elsewhere in the Soviet Union, much is done to impress foreigners with the happy life of the local people.

Earth's magnetic field causes algae to respond

By Paul Raeburn

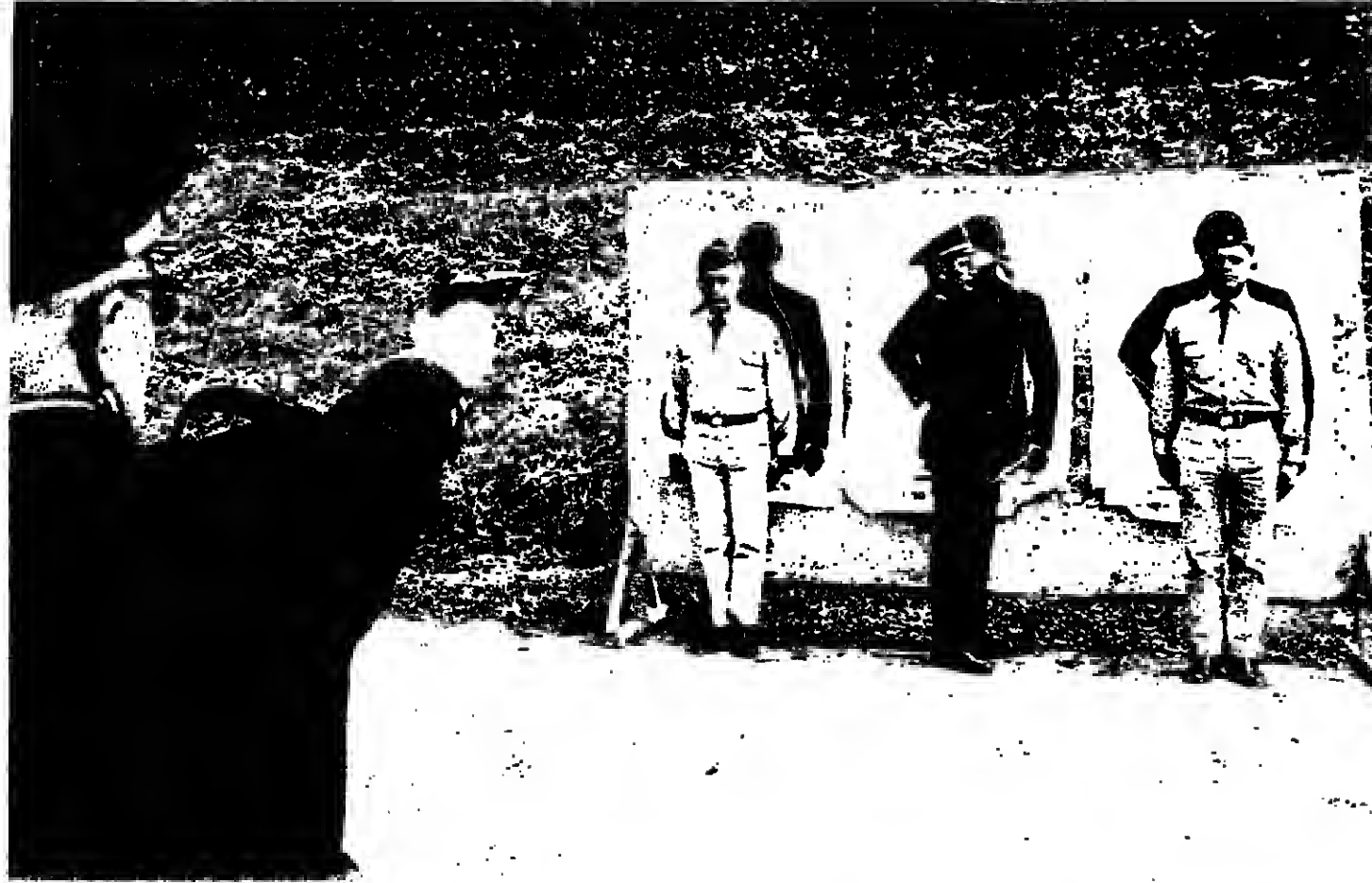
WASHINGTON (AP) — Scientists have discovered algae that migrate in the direction of a magnetic field, a property previously known to exist only in bacteria. This first finding of a magnetic response in a more complex organism suggests that a magnetic "sensitivity" might be found in all plants and animals, including humans.

Evidence of a magnetic sense has been found in higher animals including homing pigeons and fish, but it is not yet known exactly how those animals respond to the earth's magnetic field.

In the case on the algae, the response is clear. When they are placed in a magnetic field, they migrate immediately in the direction of the field, according to Richard Frankel of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

The algae were discovered in a lagoon in Rio De Janeiro by Brazilian researchers working with Frankel. The discovery was reported by Henrique Lins De Barros at the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Frankel said it is likely that such magnetic algae exist in other parts of the world.



TARGET PRACTICE: Police in Mexico put such emphasis on producing first-class marksmen that one range for marksmen uses human targets. The policeman in the middle is seen holding a small balloon in front of his eyes, while an officer takes aim with a pistol.

Mexico cracks down on gas guzzlers, gas price increases to affect many

By Dial Torgerson

MEXICO CITY (LAT) — The big, gas-guzzling, American car — which had found one of its last homes in Mexico, a land of vast distances and cheap fuel — has been ambushed at the gas pump.

The price of gasoline has doubled here. And, in a sudden concern over the environment, the government has issued a decree that would, by 1984, bar the manufacture of every young Mexican's dream: The V-8 engine car.

There were 300,000 cars manufactured here in 1980, and although figures are not in yet for 1981, the total will probably come to around 400,000. Subsidiaries of Chrysler and General Motors here made most of them, and more than half were the kind of V-8s the United States last mass-produced in the mid-1970s.

Unhindered by even the most rudimentary smog devices, the Mexican-made versions of Yankee V-8s cruised Mexico's long, open roads burning regular gas that cost 42 cents a gallon — until Dec. 21. That was when Pemex, the government-owned national petroleum company, announced that prices at the gas pump would more than double.

"That means," a Pemex spokesman said, "that our prices are now about equal to those

on the American side of the border. Regular is now about a dollar a gallon, extra non-leaded about a dollar and half."

It hurt U.S. motorists in border states who had been accustomed to crossing to Mexican frontier cities like Tijuana or Ciudad Juarez to fill their tanks. But it was a bigger blow to Mexican motorists, who thought that their oil-rich nation would support them forever in the manner of driving to which they had become accustomed.

An American who drove his four-year-old Chevrolet V-8 from Los Angeles to Mexico City in November — hoping Pemex prices would underwrite the use of the American dinosaur — was awakened each dawn by motorists warming up their rumbling V-8s, a roar little heard in the streets of America for a decade.

"I bought a V-8 because I wanted air conditioning in Mexico City," said an American affiliated with a U.S. bank. "Mexico is above 7,000 feet, and they say you lose five horsepower with an air-conditioner for every 500 feet above 5,000."

"So now I'm stuck with a car that gives me eight miles to the gallon in Mexico City," he complained.

Mexico City Mayor Carlos Hank Gonzalez, whose city has one of the worst smog problems in the world, defended the increase

in gasoline prices. "It was necessary, because we have been burning up our national wealth and dirtying our air," Gonzalez said. The mayor added that he would seek methods to encourage the use of mass transportation instead of private autos in 1982.

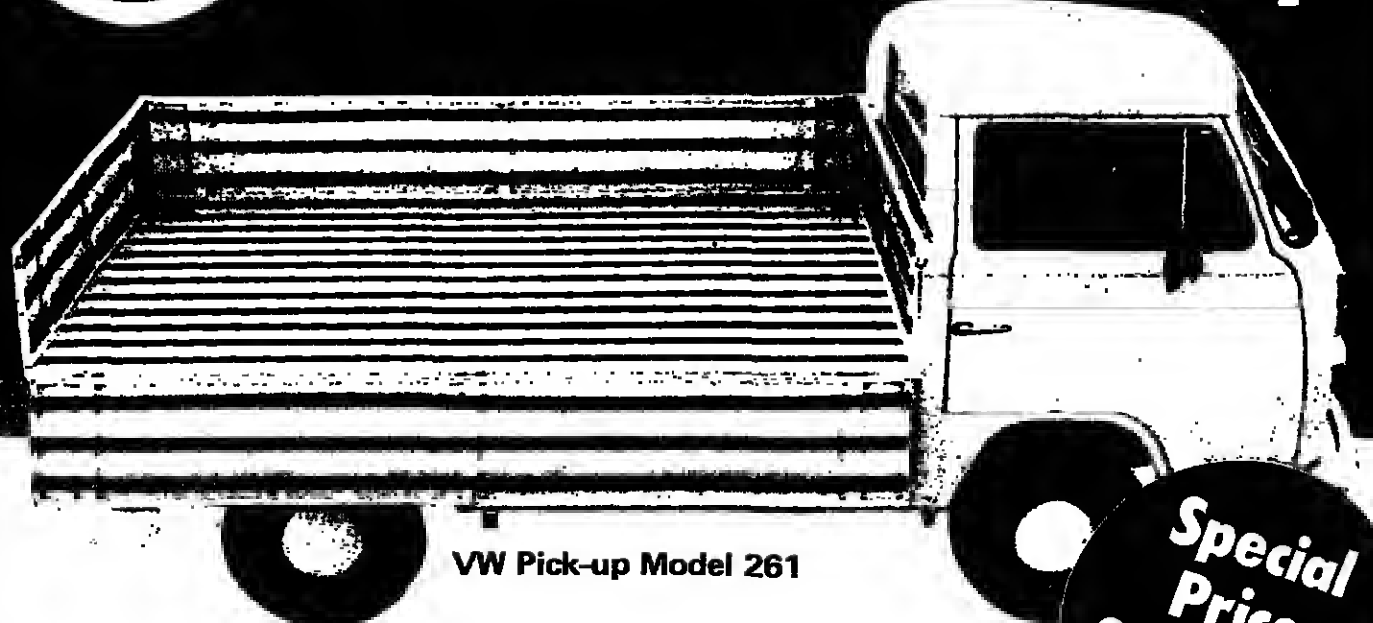
Few have pity for the plight of the nation's gas-buyers, who after all, are members of the economically better-off motoring public. The increased profits to the government oil monopoly should allow it to expand without borrowing abroad as heavily as it has been forced to do in the past. And, because the government also taxes Pemex sales, the increased revenue should produce funds for development projects benefiting the whole nation.

"The gasoline price increase will affect mainly the higher and middle classes and they have enough resources to pay for it," said Miguel de La Madrid, the government economist who is running almost unopposed for the Mexican presidency in the 1982 election. "I see these price changes as a needed measure to strengthen the debt for its expansion."

Pemex has been suffering decreased profits — despite the fact that Mexico is fourth in the world in proven hydrocarbon reserves — because of the 1981 drop in world oil prices.

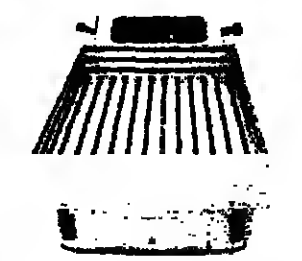


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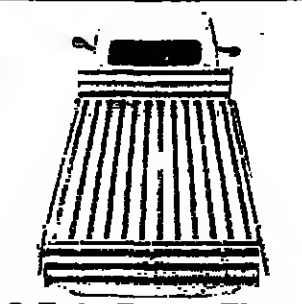


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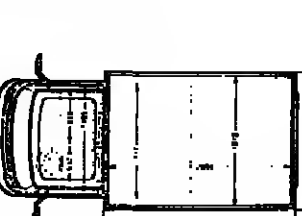
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Francis' goal helps City snatch point

LONDON, Jan. 9 (AP) — Manchester City squandered a chance to regain the leadership of the English First Division Soccer standings by only drawing 1-1 at home to lowly Stoke City Saturday.

Stoke, which had lost its last four games, took a 39th minute lead through Brendan O'Callaghan, but England International Trevor Francis equalized with a brilliant 63rd minute chip-shot. Ipswich, which did not play, still leads the standings with 35 points from 17 matches. Manchester City also has 35 points, but has played four more matches and has an inferior goal difference. City would have topped the standings if it had downed Stoke.

Nottingham Forest rode second-half goals from Peter Ward and Ian Wallace to down Birmingham City 2-1 in the only other First Division match played. Frank Worthington got a consolation goal for Birmingham. Only 10 English and Scottish matches escaped the ice and snow that blanketed Britain. Soccer authorities now are beginning to worry about a fixture pile-up.

"It is beginning to look ominous," said English league fixtures secretary Lee Walker. "All we need is a couple more weeks like this and the clubs will be forced to play four games a week at the end of the season." There has been only one fully completed soccer program since December 12.

Both First Division matches played Saturday were entertaining to view of the difficult

circumstances. Stoke deserved its half-time lead on a pitch that was in perfect condition thanks to the Maine Road pitch's undersoil heating.

Francis' equalizer capped a fine home team fightback. The England striker latched onto a lob by Asa Hartford and beat goalkeeper Peter Fox from 20-meters out.

Nottingham Forest's lowest crowd of the season saw Ian Wallace score his sixth goal in four matches against Birmingham. Wallace's Strike came after Peter Ward's second goal of the season and although Frank Worthington pulled a goal back for the visitors, Birmingham was unable to find an equalizer.

Second-placed Oldham and third-placed Watford drew 1-1 in a hard fought Second Division match at Boundary Park.



Trevor Francis .. nets equalizer

Standings

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Ipswich	17	11	2	4	31	21	35
Manchester City	21	10	5	6	30	23	35
Manchester United	19	9	6	4	29	16	33
Southampton	19	10	3	6	35	28	33
Swansea	20	10	3	7	31	31	33
Notts Forest	19	9	5	5	25	24	32
Tottenham	17	9	2	6	28	19	29
Everton	20	8	5	7	28	26	29
Liverpool	18	7	6	5	27	19	27
Brighton	19	6	9	4	24	19	27
Arsenal	16	8	3	5	15	12	27
West Ham	17	6	8	3	35	26	26
West Bromwich	18	6	6	6	23	19	24
Aston Villa	19	5	7	7	23	23	22
Coventry	20	6	4	10	29	32	22

Results

English Division One			
Manchester City	1	Stoke	1
Nottingham Forest	2	Birmingham	1
Division Two			
Grimsby	1	Orient	2
Oldham Athletic	1	Watford	1
Division Three			
Huddersfield	2	Oxford United	0
Plymouth Argyle	1	Burnley	1
Division Four			
Blackpool	2	Scunthorpe	0
Bradford	1	Hull	1
F.A. Cup (2nd round)			
Carlisle United	1	Bishop Auckland	0
Scottish Premier Division			
Rangers	1	Celtic	0

Wolverhampton manager quits

WOLVERHAMPTON, Jan. 9 (AP) — John Barnwell Friday resigned as manager of English First Division Soccer club Wolverhampton Wanderers.

Barnwell, who guided Wolves to victory in the 1980 League Cup final, quit after a conversation with club chairman Harry Marshall. Barnwell's three-year stay at Molineux was ended by a disagreement over a new contract, which is expected to end in a court case.

Barnwell Thursday said he intended to sue the club for "breach of contract" after a contract offered to him in June was withdrawn. He refused to sign a new contract and had been working on a week-to-week basis this season.

Marshall, a stern critic of Barnwell's, told the manager to "sign or resign."

World Cup arrives

Meanwhile, the solid gold World Soccer Cup was flown to Madrid Saturday amid stringent security measures and immediately taken to the vaults of the Bank of Spain, while a police helicopter hovered above the armored van which carried the \$3.5 million trophy into central Madrid.

The trophy, the work of 56-year old Italian sculptor Silvio Gazzaniga, will briefly leave the Bank of Spain on January 16 to be put on display at the draw at the headquarters of the

World Cup organizing committee, in the Madrid Congress and Exhibition Palace.

Committee sources said it would be taken back to the Bank vaults after the draw until July when King Juan Carlos will hand it over to the 1982 winners. They said authorities dropped earlier plans to have the World Cup guarded by an insurance company.

Set for showdown

In Singapore, China and New Zealand face the highest test of their chequered soccer histories when they play off on Sunday for a place in the World Cup finals.

Victory will clinch the last of the 24 berths in Spain this summer, catapulting one of these cinderella sides into an unaccustomed spot in the center of the international stage.

A last-minute threat to the match was averted when New Zealand agreed to play under protest because the team was not allowed to train at the match ground.

Another problem for the Kiwis is the loss of star striker Brian Turner, suspended after collecting a second caution in the game against Saudi Arabia. With Turner out of the reckoning, New Zealand will be pinning their hopes on 18-year-old Winton Rufer, who plays for English Second Division side Norwich City.

U.K. driver forced out of Paris-Dakar Rally

TIMEIAOUDINE, Algeria, Jan. 9 (AFP) — British driver Vic Elford had to pull out of the 10,000 km (6,250 miles) Paris to Dakar Rally after his four wheel drive Japanese Subaru caught fire in the desert.

The incident happened during a stage across deserted countryside between the fort settlement of Bordj Omar Driss and the oasis of Tit. Elford, who had been among the leaders in the early stages of the race, is one of nearly 100 competitors to abandon midway. About 90 motorcycles and 200 cars and lorries are still going.

In the lead last night at a halt at Timeiaouine, a settlement on the border with Mali, was Jackie Ickx of Belgium. Ickx's co-driver in his Mercedes 280 GE is the French comedian Claude Brasseur. There was no news of Britain's Mark Thatcher and his French companion Anne Charlotte Verney, competing in a Peugeot.

Meanwhile young Brazilian racing driver Robert Moreno won the New Zealand International Grand Prix at Pukekohe, Auckland, Saturday. Moreno, a protege of current World Formula One champion Nelson Piquet, won the first heat of the two leg race convincingly, and finished a close second in the final heat. Local driver Steve Miller, who won the second heat, was second overall.

Malaysia, Soviet Union record maiden wins

Rajinder 'tricks' in India's fightback

By G. K. Menon
Special Correspondent

BOMBAY, Jan. 9 — India's struggle in the World Cup Hockey Tournament continued. The Olympic champions nearly suffered the humiliation of finishing lower than its Buenos Aires position. But from a 2-0 deficit recovered to get the better of New Zealand 3-2 here Saturday.

India now huddle for the fifth place with the Soviet Union, which prevailed over Poland by a solitary goal for its first victory. England survived against Argentina and its 1-0 victory earns it a right to meet Malaysia, which upset Spain with a 4-2 verdict. Incidentally this was Malaysia's first triumph in the competition. Spain, the losing finalists in 1971 at Barcelona, will be trying to avoid the last place when it takes on Argentina.

India's performance Saturday was even worse than its showing in the pool matches. A defeat would have meant that India would have had to qualify for the next World Cup. But Rajinder Singh saved it from this embar-

assment by nothing three goals in the second-half — the third hat-trick of the tournament. All his goals were penalty-corner conversions, the last two coming within a space of two minutes.

India scored four clear chances before the Kiwis sprang into the lead. A McLeod penalty-corner hit was padded by custodian Negi but Ramesh Patel proved too quick and

At a glance

India	3	New Zealand	2
Soviet Union	1	Poland	0
England	1	Argentina	0
Malaysia	4	Spain	2

sure on the rebound. And just before the interval McLeod made it 2-0 with a stiff penalty-corner shot. India made two changes in the second-half Kaushik and Syed Ali replacing Charanjit and Surinder Singh Sodhi respectively, and the changes produced results. India forced six penalty-corners in this session and Rajinder Singh came good with three of them.

Soviet Union's surprise 1-0 victory came six minutes before the hooter sounded.

In Tucson Golf

Stadler strengthens position

TUCSON, Ariz. Jan. 9 (AP) — Craig Stadler reeled off a string of four consecutive birdies on the way to a 6-under-par 64 that enabled him to open a 4-stroke lead Friday after the second round of the \$500,000 Joe Garagiola-Tucson Open Golf Tournament.

"That was my best," Stadler said after posting a 36-hole total of 125. 11 shots under par on the 6,797-yard Randolph Park Municipal Course. The score matched the best two-round total on the pro golf tour last year.

The stocky Stadler, noted by his contemporaries as a decided front-runner, said that two of his three previous triumphs have come by runaway margins. "When I get it going, I tend to keep it going. Of course, there's always the threat, on a course like this, that someone will shoot 63 or 64 at you. But I've got a lot of feel in what I'm doing. And it feels good."

Alan Tapie, a non-winner after seven years of tour activity, held second at 153 at the halfway point of this, the kickoff event on the 10-month 1982 schedule. Tapie birdied five of his first six holes on the way to a second round 4-under-par 66 in bright, sun weather. Scott Simpson was next at 154 after his second 67.

In the men's 100-meter breaststroke, Bill Barrett of the United States team barely missed a world's-best mark. He finished with a 1:01.45, just shy of the 1:01.00 recorded by West Germany's Gerald Moerken.

Some 350 swimmers from 17 countries are competing in the event in a 25-meter, short-course, pool, rather than a 50-meter pool. The times set here won't be considered world records because the 25-meter pool has more turns, which make for faster times.

Deadly spell by Allot

JAMSHEDPUR, India, Jan. 9 (AP) — England was 224 for three in the first innings at the close of the second day of the three-day cricket match against East Zone in this Northeastern Indian city Saturday. Earlier Saturday, East Zone resumed at the overnight score of 189 for seven and was all out for 242 shortly before the lunch break. Pacer Paul Allot finished with five wickets for 75 runs.

The group at 135, five under par, included veteran Geiberger, Jay Haas and Andy Bean. Geiberger shot a 69, Haas 68 and Bean, coming back from a hand injury that sidelined him much of last season, shot a 65. "It's all to Craig," Bean said. "If shoots a mediocre round Saturday, we might be able to put some pressure on him. If he shoots better than a mediocre round, he's going to be a hard man to catch."

Johnny Miller, the defending title-holder and a four-time winner of this event, failed to mount a challenge. Miller, who won golf's richest prize, a \$500,000 first-place check, last week, had another 70 and was 11 strokes back at 140. Stadler, who has quietly established himself as one of the game's more steady performers with three titles and \$425,000 in earnings over the past two seasons said he was very pleased with his effort.

"It could have been a little better and not a whole lot worse," he said. He missed three putts of six feet or less, but made more than his share. He made his big move with a string of four consecutive birdies, beginning on the eighth, with putts of 15, 40, 20 and 15 feet. And had a lone bogey after driving into the trees.

U.S. swimmer misses mark narrowly

GAINESVILLE, Florida, Jan. 9 (AP) — American Tracy Caulkins and East German Ute Geweniger, two of the world's top women's swimmers, tied at 1:09.36 in the 100-meter breaststroke Friday to move to the finals in the U.S. International Swimming Meet.

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Scots keep same side

EDINBURGH, Jan. 9 (AFP) — Scotland have named an unchanged side to face England in the Calcutta Cup match which opens the Five-Nation Rugby Union tournament at Murrayfield here.

The Scots have not beaten England since 1976 when they won 22-12 at Murrayfield, but recent wins against Romania and Australia have boosted confidence.

Michalik outwitted the Polish goalkeeper Josefak with a neat push for the match-winner. England had enough opportunities of scoring against the tough Argentina. But had to be content with a 1-0 margin. The all-important goal was scored by Francis, who pounced on a rebound off goalkeeper Altrube's pads, after Altrube had halted a Bhaura shot.

Malaysia caused the biggest upset of the competition. Winless and with only one point from its pool engagements, Malaysia was not expected to launch such an attack. And when it raced to a 4-0 lead Spain's fight ended. On Soon Kooi put Malaysia in the lead before the break and a penalty-corner goal by Foo Kear Seong made it 2-0. In a space of three minutes came two more goals. Colin Sansa Maria crowning a splendid run and Tam Chiew Seng sounding the boards for another field goal. Spain, however, bridged the gap in the closing stages when Miguel Bortas converted two penalty-corners in the last nine minutes.

Sunday's fixtures: (Semifinals): Pakistan vs Netherlands; West Germany vs Australia.

Potter surprises seeded Jaeger

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 (AP) — Barbara Potter upset No. 3 seed Andrea Jaeger 6-3, 7-6 Friday afternoon to advance to the semifinals of the \$200,000 Avon Tennis Championships of Washington.

West Germany's Sylvia Hanika, seeded fourth, also advanced, stopping Bonnie Gadusek in straight sets 6-2, 6-3. Potter, who possesses one of the strongest serves on the women's tour, served seven aces during the match but it was probably her softest shot of the match that keyed the upset.

Trailing 5-2 in the first set, Jaeger was serving at 30 all when Potter hit a soft drop shot that bounced along the top of the net before falling in for the point. Potter broke Jaeger on the next point when Jaeger was wide with a backhand return.

"I seem to play my best tennis when my back is to the wall," Potter said. "I have been working on my concentration on key points. I think that mental discipline is what separates the really good players from the rest. I kept working on keeping my nose to the grindstone," she said.

In the second set, Potter's serve was never more dominant than in the fourth game. At break point, Potter served up three straight aces to hold the point and tie the set at two games apiece. "The way I have been serving lately I feel if I can break an opponent once or twice during a match I can beat just about anyone," Potter said.

Hanika's victory ended Gadusek's bid for a third straight upset. Gadusek's appearance in the quarterfinals had marked only the second time in her career she had advanced to the final 16 of a tournament. Hanik served six aces and held serve throughout the match in recording the victory.

Meanwhile, top-seeded Rosalyn Fairbank of South Africa put an end to a 17-match win streak of Raffaella Reggi of Italy, defeating her 6-4, 6-1 in quarter-final of the \$40,000 Avon Futures of Southwest Florida, at Fort Myers.

Fairbank will meet Duk Hee Lee of South Korea in Saturday's semifinals. Lee was a 6-2, 6-2 victor over Vicki Nelson of Columbus, Ohio. In other matches, Lea Antonopolis of Glendora, Calif., defeated Susan Leo of Australia 6-4, 7-5, and Yvonne Vermaak of South Africa defeated Lusia Romanov of Romania 6-3, 6-3.

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Catchings lets Hawks through

NEW YORK, Jan. 9 (AP) — The last play of the game wasn't in the Atlanta playbook but coach Kevin Loughery will take it anyway. "Obviously," he said jokingly, "the play was run for Harvey Catchings all the way."

Catchings' face was almost as red as the Hawks' uniform Friday night when the Milwaukee Bucks' reserve center inadvertently tipped in a long Atlanta pass for the basket that gave Loughery's team a 90-88 National Basketball Association victory.

"Actually, Harvey did a good job," added Loughery. "He did what he was supposed to do. He's an intelligent player. You could run that play over and over and it probably wouldn't happen that way very often. We were lucky."

The freak play occurred after Atlanta's Tree Rollins rebounded a missed shot by the Bucks' Sidney Moncrief, and the Hawks called time out with two seconds to play and the score tied at 88.

Tom McMillen lobbed an inbound pass from center court toward the Bucks' own basket. Catchings tipped the ball into the basket amid a flurry of hands reaching for the ball. The basket was credited to Dan Roundfield, who was the closest Atlanta player to the basket.

Gerulaitis ousts Nastase

CHICAGO, Illinois Jan. 9 (AP) — Vitas Gerulaitis survived outbursts of temper by his opponent Friday night to defeat Ilie Nastase 5-7, 6-3, 6-4 and advance to the semifinals of the \$310,000 Michelob Light Challenge Tennis Tournament.

Gerulaitis will square off against Jimmy Connors, and John McEnroe will face Czechoslovakia's Ivan Lendl in semifinal play Saturday.

The 36-year-old Nastase, ranked 73rd among the world's tennis professionals, scored a 7-5 victory in the first set by breaking Gerulaitis' service in the eleventh game.

In the final game of the second set, a Gerulaitis serve was ruled wide. The linesman then reversed himself and called it in, giving the point to Gerulaitis despite a tennis rule that a serve must be taken over in such a situation before a point is decided.

Losing in the third set, Nastase lost his cool, deliberately serving the ball out of bounds. Gerulaitis won the match with timely drop shots and crisp overhead volleys.

Earlier Friday evening, Jose-Luis Clerc avenged a loss to McEnroe in last month's Davis Cup finals by upsetting the world's No. 1 ranked 2-6, 6-3, 7-6 in a three-set marathon.

Meanwhile, Australian Rod Frawley and American Lloyd Bourne will meet in the South Australian Open final here Sunday for a first prize of \$15,000.

In the semifinal, Frawley defeated fellow Australian John James 6-4, 6-2, and Bourne won a tight three-setter against American Steve Krulvitz 5-7, 6-4, 6-4.

Frawley is ranked 71 on the world computer and Bourne 156. Neither has won a major singles tournament although Frawley, a Wimbledon semifinalist last year, has been in a number of finals.

Frawley, 29, was most impressive in defeating James. Bourne also served and returned strongly to eliminate Krulvitz. While Frawley is a recognized world player, Bourne is a virtual rookie who has had a remarkable rise since he raised a bank loan and came to Australia on his first trip 15 months ago. On that occasion he didn't qualify for any tournament, and didn't even win a match.

But last month he impressed in the New South Wales Open when he defeated Australian Davis Cup player Paul McNamee in the second round.

Lloyd, Mottram outclassed

BIRMINGHAM, Jan. 9 (AFP) — Australians Peter McNamara and Paul McNamee inflicted on Britain's scratch tennis partnership of John Lloyd and Buster Mottram a buffeting as the blizzard raged outside when they coasted through their final group match in the £100,000 World Doubles Championship at the National Exhibition Center here Friday night.

Lloyd and Mottram were overwhelmed in 90 minutes by the holders of the title, who won 6-1, 6-4, 6-4 to reach the semifinals undefeated. American pair Sherwood Stewart and Ferdi Taygan, who lost to McNamara and McNamee Thursday, also went through to the last four who they scored a second win over compatriots victor Amaya and Hank Pfister, 7-6, 6-4, 6-4.

Switzerland's Heinz Gunhardt and his Hungarian partner Balazs Taroczy avoided meeting the Australians in the semifinals by finishing on top of Group "B" after a hard five-set match against South African Kevin Curren and Steve Denton of Texas. Both pairs were undefeated and Gunhardt and

Taroczy clinched victory on a tiebreak in each of the last two sets. They won 7-5, 6-7, 3-6, 7-6, 7-6. They meet Stewart and Taygan in the semifinals. McNamara and McNamee play Curren and Denton in the other semifinal.

Thursday's straight sets victory against the Americans Vic Amaya and Hank Pfister earned third place in Group "A" and they play off Saturday with the Indian brothers Vijay and Anand Amritraj, to decide fifth and sixth place overall. The Amritraj brothers, slowly getting used to the cold, scored their first win of the tournament but had to fight all the way to get the better of Americans Fritz Buehning and Peter Fleming. The Indians won at 7-6, 6-3, 3-6, 1-6, 7-6.

Mottram and Lloyd were at their best against Amaya and Pfister on the previous day, but McNamara and McNamee, the 1980 Wimbledon doubles champions, were a different proposition. "They were too quick for us and never gave us a chance to settle," said Lloyd, continuing, "You can't afford to give them an inch or they'll drive the ball through."

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With Boston leading 75-74 with 8:47 left in the game, Bird hit a jumper to launch a 15-4 spurt that put the Celtics ahead 90-78 with 4:48 to go. Bird and Henderson both scored six points in the uprising.

Nets 110, Cavaliers 100: Clarence "Foots" Walker and Ray Williams scored 18 points each to lead New Jersey over Cleveland and hand the Cavaliers their sixth straight loss.

The Nets trailed most of the way until they tied the game at 79 on a pair of free throws by Walker and another by Buck Williams with 44 seconds left in the third period. Darwin Cook added two more foul shots to give the Nets the lead.

Bulls 119, Lakers 113: Aris Gilmore chalked up a season-high 31 points and Ronnie Lester added 22 to lift Chicago over Los Angeles. The Lakers rallied in the see-saw game to regain the lead with 9:51 left with two free throws by Mike Cooper, but the Bulls then outscored Los Angeles, late in the quarter. Los Angeles mounted a rally and came to within six at 116-110 on a pair of free throws by Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, but could not make up the deficit.

Each of the three teams has ten qualifying matches with the two leading sides meeting in a best-of-five final series, which carries \$50,000 in prize money. The Pakistanis enjoy playing at the Melbourne Cricket ground and have won both of their limited over internationals against Australia on this arena, as well as thrashing Australia by an innings and 82 runs in the third Test here.

Pakistan, sent in to bat Saturday, made 218 for six wickets in the overs available, with opener Mudassar Nazar (40), Zaheer Abbas (84) and Javed Miandad (37) being the outstanding batsmen. The pitch was sluggish and the outfield slow, which contributed to Zaheer Abbas failing to hit a single boundary in his man of the match performance in 110 minutes.

Australian batsmen all struggled, with the exception of left-bander Allan Border, who made a fine unbeaten 75 in 106 minutes with five boundaries. Greg Chappell, who had made five ducks in his last seven innings, gave an improved display for 35 in 78 minutes, before being bowled by off-spinner Ejaz Faqih. Australia could have reached the Pakistan target but was let down by reckless running between the wickets leading to four run outs. They were all out for 193 in 49 overs.

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Score board

PAKISTAN:
Mudassar Nazar c Marsh b Alderman 40
Zaheer Abbas c Laird b Thomson 84
Javed Miandad c Darling b Lillee 37
Imran Khan run out 3
Wasim Raja not out 19
Ejaz Faqih run out 1
Sarfaraz Nawaz not out 14
Extras 13
Total (for 6 wkts.) 218
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-10, 2-79, 3-169, 4-172, 5-193, 6-199.
BOWLING: Lawson 10-0-36-0; Alderman 10-0-37-1; Lillee 10-1-37-1; Thomson 10-0-55-2; Chappell 10-3-38-0.
AUSTRALIA:
G. Wood c Raja b Mudassar 38

B. Laird run out 4
J. Dyson lbw Bakshi 11
G. Chappell b Faqih 35
A. Border not out 5
R. Darling run out 2
R. Marsh c Miandad b Faqih 8
D. Lillee run out 8
G. Lawson run out 1
J. Thomson b Imran 2
T. Alderman b Bakshi 0
Extras 12
Total: 193

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-5, 2-74, 3-135, 4-147, 5-153, 6-175, 7-181, 8-190, 9-193.
BOWLING: Imran 9-2-21-1; Sarfaraz 8-0-34-0; Naqash 7-0-35-0; Silander 8-0-33-2; Mudassar 6-0-24-1; Faqih 10-0-34-2.

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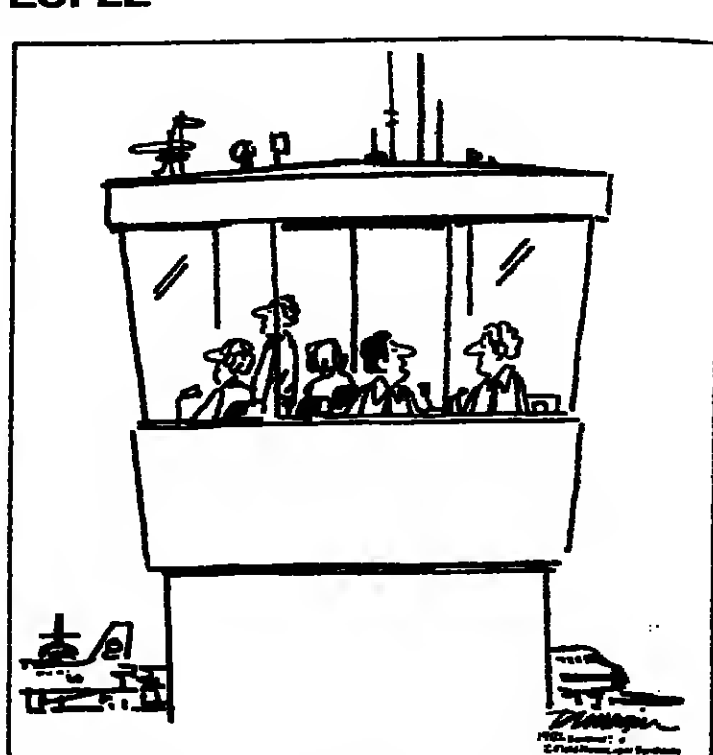
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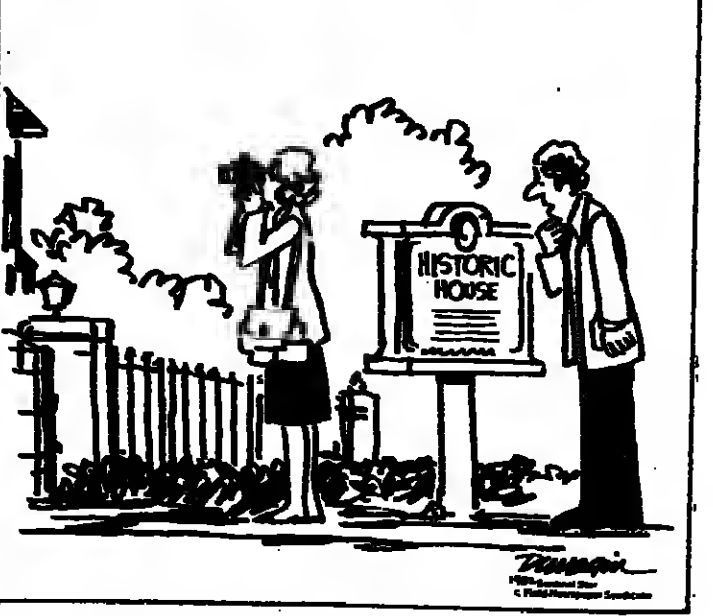
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TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) ♉
Creative types get professional recognition. Salesmen are at their best. Don't overlook important details in business affairs.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) ♊
Be sincere with others. You could get carried away by the sound of your own voice. Mean what you say and don't be evasive.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) ♋
Be alert for new work developments, but avoid a temptation to overspend when celebrating. Exercise your ordinary sound judgment.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) ♌
Be sure that others are sincere before you give your heart away. New romantic possibilities come now, but you must be discriminating.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) ♍
Though you're a stickler for detail, you could overlook something now. Unfortunately, you're prone to let little things upset you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) ♎
Impromptu meetings are likely. Please others and make a good impression, but remember it's important to be true to yourself.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) ♏
Differences could arise with a family member over a career matter. Still, opportunities beckon. Home entertainments are favored.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) ♐
Your thinking may be faulty regarding a career matter. Tact and diplomacy are needed with those whose feelings are easily hurt.

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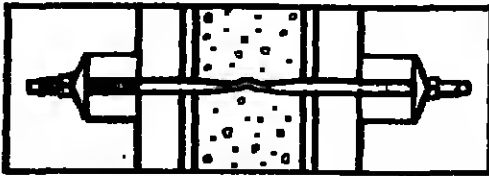
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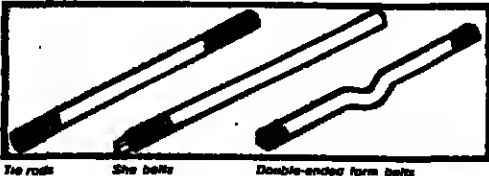
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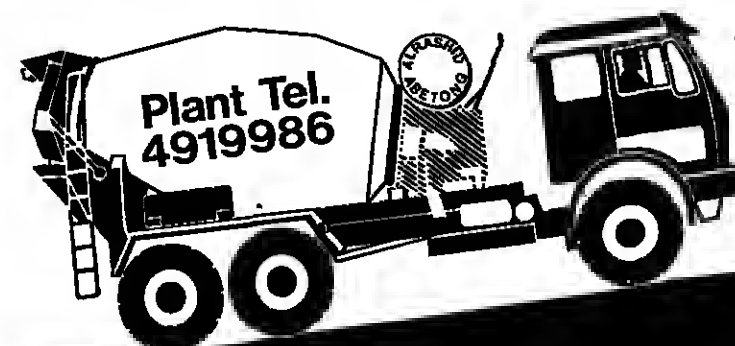
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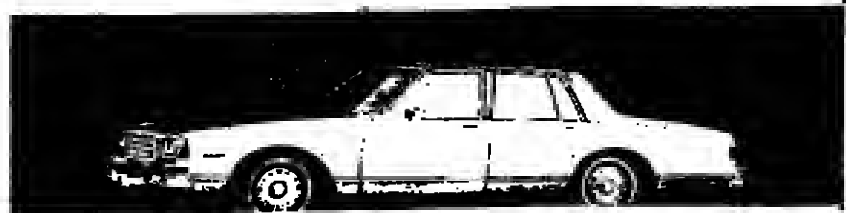


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Censorship lifted

Poland limps back to normalcy

VIENNA, Jan. 9. (Agencies) — After nearly a month of martial law, Poland showed further signs of normalization Saturday with the announcement of resumed international flights, the partial reopening of universities and the removal of censorship of Foreign correspondents' reports. The lifting of the censorship was reported by Yugoslav news agency Tanjug in Belgrade Saturday.

The official news agency PAP said international flights by the national airline Lot would resume Monday to East and West Europe, Canada and the Middle East. Flights were suspended after the military took over Poland and imposed martial law in the face of a growing independent trade union movement on Dec. 13. PAP also reported that the University of Warsaw and universities and colleges in other towns reopened Saturday for certain courses such as postgraduate studies and evening classes.

Initially, about 9,500 students were resuming studies at Warsaw University, PAP said. It quoted its correspondents around the country as saying some classes were also starting up in Cracow, Poznan, Katowice, Gdansk and Bialystok. The campuses, seen by the

authorities as a possible hotbed of opposition to martial law, were closed down after the military takeover.

PAP said the Lot Airline would initially make two flights every week to Rome, Moscow, Copenhagen, Montreal, Budapest, Paris, Damascus and London. There would be one flight a week to Frankfurt, Bucharest, Sofia, Tripoli, Prague, Stockholm, Zurich, Geneva, Algiers, Vienna and Milan, it said.

Warsaw radio, in a broadcast monitored by the British Broadcasting Corporation Saturday, announced large increases in tariffs on the transport of freight across Poland by rail, road or waterways, effective Jan. 1. The new tariffs, representing increases averaging 165 percent for rail and shipping tariffs "corresponded more closely to the real costs of transport," the radio said.

In a further indication that opposition to martial law continues in Poland, Warsaw radio carried a report on a meeting of the provincial branch of the Communist Party in Radom, south of the capital, at which "it was also stated that the political enemy has not given up his activities."

"For example, four days ago, the police in

Radom uncovered an illegal group and confiscated from them 4,500 leaflets directed against the authorities and law and order," the radio said, adding that the groups would be tried. The radio said two members of the national central committee of the Communist Party attended the Radom meeting, explaining: "The participation by representatives of the central committee in provincial party meetings was in preparation for the forthcoming seventh plenum of the party central committee."

One of the two, Central Committee Secretary Wlodzimierz Mokrzyszczak, told the meeting that "absolute honesty of party members was vital in order to gain support for party policies." He added that "methods of bringing up young people must change fundamentally."

In a separate broadcast, Warsaw radio said 21 persons would be charged in the northern port of Szczecin in connection with the theft of petrol worth five million zloty (\$62,500).

Meanwhile, the Polish United Workers' (Communist) Party appears headed for a purge aimed at purifying its ranks of those who committed the errors that led to the current Polish crisis, observers noted here, after the departures of the first two leading officials was announced. The purification — in which the army seemed positioned to play a major role — also was aimed at improving the party's reputation by publicly condemning a number of its officials, the observers said.

The first two purge victims, whose departures were announced officially Friday night, were Tadeusz Fiszbach, the party's first secretary in the Baltic port of Gdansk, and Andrzej Zabinski, his counterpart in Katowice, southern Poland. But even before the announcement, the impending purge became increasingly certain. *Tribuna Ludu*, the party newspaper, called for the "consolidation of the party ranks" through a "purge of men whose ideological and political concepts are foreign, of climbers and cynics."

In Brussels, Solidarity officials in the West called Saturday for an international day of protest Jan. 30 to press for the release of imprisoned members of the Solidarity. About 20 Solidarity officials meeting in Brussels over the weekend told journalists that they wanted demonstrations to be organized by trade unions throughout the West to protest against "the state of illegality and terror in Poland."

A statement agreed by the Solidarity officials, who did not return to Poland from the West after Warsaw's military clampdown last month, condemned the suggestion that Solidarity leaders interned in Poland should be sent into exile in the West. The idea, proposed by Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski at a meeting with Western ambassadors earlier this week, was aimed "at rendering useless the first self-governing and independent union, Solidarity," the statement said.

U.S. bars return of Ukrainian boy

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 (R) — The Justice Department has issued an order preventing Walter Polovchak, a 14-year-old Ukrainian boy, being returned to the Soviet Union against his will while the courts considered his case. It said it acted "at least in part because of fears that an attempt might be made to return him involuntarily to the Soviet Union."

The Immigration Service said Friday it had ordered officials at all ports and airports in the United States to see that Walter did not leave the country.

Walter emigrated from the Soviet Union with his parents in January 1980, but they claimed they were disillusioned with life in the United States and returned to the Soviet Union. But Walter insisted on remaining in this country with his sister and U.S. authorities granted him political asylum.

An Illinois juvenile court placed him in state custody and he now lives with court-appointed Ukrainian foster parents in Chicago.

Certainly the solution of placing Gibraltar with its key naval base under the provisional control of NATO (North Atlantic Treaty Organization) is one that has been mooted in the press here recently, and there are no signs as yet that the government is fundamentally opposed to the idea.

Already, Gibraltar plays an important part in NATO surveillance of the western Mediterranean, and to consolidate NATO control of the rock could provide a diplomatic formula allowing Britain's Conservative government to extricate itself from Gibraltar without incurring the wrath of the die-hard wing of the party and electorate.

The fact that the frontier will be reopened and Spanish nationals allowed to work there and remain overnight, as well as enjoy the same pay and health benefits as Gibraltar's population, is in itself a considerable step forward.

If Madrid were also prepared next April to waive for a time its key claim to have a full say in the running of Gibraltar, few serious obstacles would remain to an effective settlement of the centuries-old dispute between Spain and Britain.

Exiles vow to oust Duvalier

Haiti invasion planned

MIAMI, Jan. 9 (AP) — A gasoline station owner from Florida and 36 other unnamed Haitian exiles vow to overthrow the Duvalier government of Haiti with an invasion of 737 exiles. *The Miami Herald* has reported.

Although the threats prompted the Haiti government to step up security, a government spokesman said they are not being taken seriously.

Thirty-six Haitian exiles and their self-proclaimed leader, Beroard Sansaricq, were interviewed by the newspaper on Smuth Caicos, Turks and Caicos islands, a nation of 30 British West Indies islands southeast of the Bahamas.

The exiled gathered there Thursday to map strategy for a plan reminiscent of last August's botched attempt by Cuban exiles to invade their homeland from Florida by way of the Turks and Caicos. *The Herald* reported Friday.

Jean-Claude Duvalier, Haiti's

president-for-life, can expect the National Popular Party of Haiti to invade his country within a week, Sansaricq told the *Herald*.

"I'll turn the country upside down on him," the newspaper quoted Sansaricq, who owns a gas station near Fort Lauderdale, Florida, as saying. "I won't accept anything but unconditional surrender. Very soon I am going to kick Duvalier out."

In Port au Prince, Jaid, government spokesman Guy Mayer Friday called the threat propaganda. "We are aware of the threat of Sansaricq to invade Haiti. But, we feel it is a propaganda play and aren't taking it seriously, although we have, in view of the threat, increased military security," said Mayer, director of the Haitian Ministry of Information.

An official at the U.S. Embassy in Port au Prince said the exile group left South Caicos island Friday afternoon, and was headed north, away from Haiti.

Italy police crack down on key kidnap suspects

ROME, Jan. 9 (Agencies) — Anti-terrorist police made several arrests in a major operation Saturday and may have netted key suspects in the guerrilla kidnapping of U.S. Gen. James Dozier, security sources said.

They said up to nine arrests were made in raids around Rome in the early hours, including prominent suspected guerrillas wanted for questioning over the general's kidnapping on Dec. 17.

Police confirmed that a major operation linked to the kidnapping of the general was under way but refused to give details. An official statement said Interior Minister Virginio Rognoni reported on the operation to Prime Minister Giovanni Spadolini.

Since Gen. Dozier was kidnapped by Red Brigades guerrillas from his Verona home his captors have issued three communiques, the last of which contained his alleged interrogation in a "people's prison."

The Italian news agency ANSA, quoting informed sources, said that one of those arrested may have been Professor Giovanni Senzani, who was linked by police to the kidnapping by the Red Brigades in 1980 of Judge Giovanni d'Urso.

A distinguished criminology professor until he went underground in December 1980, Senzani, 42, is widely considered to be one of the Brigades' leading strategists.

Before he was eventually released in January last year d'Urso was questioned by his kidnappers about his job in the Justice Ministry where he formulated policy on top-security prisons in which hundreds of urban guerrillas are held.

Police confirm Manotoc note

MANILA, Jan. 9 (R) — Police confirmed Saturday that missing Philippine sportsman Tomas Manotoc, who secretly married the daughter of President Ferdinand Marcos, had written a note urging his family to comply with ransom demands.

The note was received by the family Wednesday, eight days after he disappeared, but the sportsman's father, Ricardo Manotoc, said he was not convinced it had come from his son.

France strengthens force in Seychelles

VICTORIA, Jan. 9 (AFP) — France's increased its military presence in the Seychelles amid fears that mercenaries may try again to topple the government of President Albert Rene. The government has not commented on the presence of French warships, military personnel and aircraft.

Three French warships — *The Commandant Riviere*, *The Rhin* and *The Victor Schœlcher* — were anchored in Victoria harbor last week. *The Commandant Riviere* has since left. Two Soviet warships have also been in the harbor since last week.

At the airport, site of the abortive attack in November by foreign mercenaries, there are three French military aircraft — two reconnaissance planes and a military transport plane.

French sailors have also become a familiar sight in Victoria since the coup attempt and French military personnel have been spotted driving in vehicles belonging to the Seychelles People's Defense Force, the state security force. A spokesman for the force would not comment except to say that the force remained on full alert.

Singapore explosion rocks chemical firm

SINGAPORE, Jan. 9 (AFP) — An explosion early Saturday rocked the government-owned Chartered Chemical Industries but no one was injured.

A statement by the Ministry of Defense said a fire at the chemical industries, a subsidiary of the Chartered Industries of Singapore, had been put out and that investigations into the cause of the explosion were continuing.

Good Morning

By Jihad Al Khazen

All about strange happenings and strange folks in the world at large:

I read recently of a case in South Africa where a man said good-bye to his wife and went out for a day's fishing. When he didn't come back after fifteen years his wife decided it was time to take another husband. Whereupon, of course, the chap turns up the next day bidding them both a civil time of day.

The story, or his version of it, was that on his way to his favorite fishing ground he stumbled and fell and woke up to find he didn't know who he was and what exactly he was doing there in the middle of nowhere. He walked and hunched around until he fetched up in Cape Town, where he took up work and built a new life. He wasn't doing too badly, although he never remembered his real name or what kind of life he had before his fall.

Then one day, his house caught fire and he was about to be burned to death when, hey presto, everything came back to him. He remembered his dear old wife and the little house and the old life they had together. So he took a train to his hometown, where he found his wife in the situation described.

Now the three must have been of prime English stock, for it appears that their answer to the situation was to sit and have a good, strong cup of tea, then discuss the whole thing in a most civilised manner.

"You found her first, old boy," the second husband concluded. You move back and take over if it's all right with the dear little lady and let's hear no more about it. In fact, he adds with a twinkle in his eye, "I was thinking of going for a spot of fishing myself when you were so kind as to turn up."

Translated from Ashraf Al-Awwat

U.S. rescuers look for 20 buried in mud

SANTA CRUZ, California, Jan. 9 (AFP) — Searches were continuing early this weekend for 20 persons believed buried under mudslides caused by torrential rains which have raged from San Francisco to here since Monday, resulting in 26 deaths, 539 injuries and more than \$280 million in property damage.

President Ronald Reagan has declared five California districts disaster areas. Some 5,500 persons have been evacuated from a 320-km radius around San Francisco. In that area 439 houses have been destroyed and 6,000 dwellings and 1,300 commercial establishments damaged, northern California rescue coordinator Jim Watkins said.

More than 35 kms of rain fell in 24 hours from Thursday to Friday on the area. In Ben Lomond, the edge of a mountain slid off and buried houses under waves of mud. Some 150 volunteers were working with bulldozers and excavation equipment to find 20 persons missing there since Tuesday.

The rescuers toiled under blue and sunny skies Friday on a moving mass of mud which froze at night. The massive landslides left the ocean muddy for several miles offshore.

In addition, federal housing has been made available to people in the disaster areas. In the Santa Cruz region, more than 20 main roads were cut off, bridges were swept away and the roads themselves damaged by torrents of various sorts of debris.

Air traffic was stopped in the area to allow rescue helicopters to look for people isolated by the downpour and mudslides. More than 320,000 persons lost electricity during the worst of the storm, and about 11,000 remained without power on Friday. Water pipes were also destroyed in the area.

Residents and industrialists in the five California districts declared disaster areas are eligible for federal funds for rebuilding. Federal agencies were also prepared to help local governments pay for rescue work, search for missing persons and take the first steps toward clearing away mud and damage.

Gibraltar problem remains despite accord

LONDON, Jan. 9 (AFP) — Despite agreement between Britain and Spain to reopen negotiations on Gibraltar with a view to "overcoming all differences" as to the future of the British colony on the southern Spanish coast, observers here were agreed Saturday that those differences remained most difficult to reconcile.

A joint statement issued after Friday's meeting here between the prime ministers of Britain and Spain, Margaret Thatcher and Leopoldo Calvo Sotelo, announced that the Gibraltar negotiations would resume April 20 — two years to the month after they were abandoned in Lisbon because of hopeless deadlock.

But though the Spanish premier referred hopefully in the statement to the British government's "genuine political determination" to achieve a settlement, it was later made plain by a Foreign Office spokesman that this in no way implied Britain's willingness to go against the wishes of Gibraltar's population.

This was a reference to the 1967 referendum in Gibraltar, in pursuance of a United Nations resolution on the decolonization of the territory, in which all but 44 of the 12,138

who cast their ballots voted to retain the British connection.

Within two years Gibraltar's population adopted a new constitution, affirming their attachment to the British crown, in retaliation for which Spain's ruler, Gen. Francisco Franco, closed the land frontier with the enclave in 1969.

For more than 250 years, Spain has contested British sovereignty over Gibraltar, captured by the British Navy in 1704 and ceded by Spain under the Treaty of Utrecht in 1713. British ownership was subsequently reaffirmed under the Treaty of Paris in 1763 and the Treaty of Versailles of 1763.

Calvo Sotelo said in his statement Friday that with the resumption of negotiations April 20, Spain's 12-year-old blockade of Gibraltar would be "suspended" rather than "annulled".

At the same time he emphasized that the final solution to the Gibraltar question lay in reintegrating the territory with Spain itself — a solution in line with his government's intention of safeguarding the interests of Gibraltar's inhabitants, he said.

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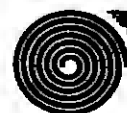
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